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THE NAVAL CONFERENCE.

SUPREME IMPORTANCE OF BRITISH INTERESTS.

NORTH WEST FRONTIER DEFENCES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, August 6th.
The failure of the Geneva Conference on Naval Disarmament is regretted here, although I may say that shrewd judges of affairs are not surprised. The Conference failed not because there was any lack of an accommodating spirit on the part of the three Powers chiefly concerned, Britain, America and Japan, but because from the outset agreement was out of the question. No formula regulating warship construction can be devised which could reconcile Anglo-American parity at sea, Japanese requirements, our imperial necessities, and a smaller shipbuilding programme. To most Englishmen who are not of the peace-at-any-price school of thought it is a relief to have London once more the headquarters of British policy instead of Geneva. The strength of the British Navy is not a fit subject to be decided by foreigners.

At the same time the Conference showed that although we have more at stake than any other nation when it comes to maintaining a Navy suited to our needs, we are willing to go a long way to avoid competition in armaments. The Japanese followed the British lead. The Americans wanted more than we could, with safety to imperial interests, concede. They wanted a small number of powerful cruisers heavily armed; we required a large number of smaller cruisers with moderate armament, to protect our trade routes. We alone went to Geneva with a practicable scheme, and we alone put all our cards on the table. There are sound judges here who think we ought never to have gone to Geneva at all; but at any rate we have shown the world that we mean to keep the navy in the future, as in the past, at a strength compatible with the security of the British Empire.

Regarding the Future.
It may be asked what is to happen now? The answer is "nothing." Great Britain, the United States, and Japan will continue to supply themselves with that amount of sea-power, and no more, which their circumstances necessitate. There need be no shipbuilding rivalry, no increase of armaments, no diminution of friendship, unless statesmanship should become bankrupt of vision and ability.

Atlantic "Seadromes."
It is reported in London that the United States Government has definitely decided to begin work almost immediately on floating aerodromes which are to assist aeroplanes crossing the Atlantic. This is almost a direct outcome of Captain Lindbergh's sensational flight by himself from New York to Paris. In a sense Lindbergh was a pioneer, for it is understood that part of his mission was to report back on the practicability of establishing these "seadromes" at intervals in the Atlantic.

The first of these novel aerodromes is to be located 650 miles east of New York. It is to have a landing surface of 1,200 feet by 400 feet, and it will be kept afloat by means of 144 steel buoyancy tanks, arranged in two layers, one above the other. These tanks will sink into the ocean to a depth of 320 feet so as to minimise movement as much as possible.

If the project can be carried out as planned it will be possible for aeroplanes to land on these "seadromes," have an overhaul, and replenish their supplies. At together it is a very interesting scheme.

BY AIR FROM EUROPE.

THE PROPOSED HOLLAND-BATAVIA PASSENGER SERVICE.

SINGAPORE NOT IN THE ROUTE.

A Dutch exchange, says the *Straits Times*, contains some details of the proposals that have been put before the Dutch Government by the Royal Dutch Air Service of Holland for the establishment of a weekly air service for passengers between Holland and Batavia.

It is proposed to use eight Fokker three-motor machines, and the proposal is based on the estimate that each flight will take ten days.

Each aeroplane will carry nine passengers. The fare will be 2,100 guilders, this to include food and hotel charges.

It is definitely stated that Constantinople and Singapore will not be included in the route—the former owing to Customs difficulties, the latter owing presumably to the absence of suitable flying facilities.

A stop will be made at Medan. It is not known whether or not Rangoon will be included in the itinerary.

Mr. van Lear Black.
Of interest is the fact that it was in a machine of the Royal Dutch Air Service that Mr. van Lear Black, the American millionaire with banking interests, recently flew from Holland to Batavia and back, stopping at Singapore on the way out.

In the absence of a statement as to whether there will be a stop at Rangoon, the proposed route, with the exception that Constantinople and Singapore will be left out, will be substantially the same as that followed by the American millionaire, who was reported by a *Straits Times* interviewer to have expressed the opinion, on alighting from his plane, that a Holland-Java passenger service was "every bit feasible."

Mr. van Lear Black at the time strongly disclaimed all interest in the proposed service, regarding which it was rumoured at the time that American banking interests had been approached.

From the fact that "hotel accommodation" is included in the charge of 2,100 guilders, it is presumed that flying will be only during the day, stops being made, as in the case of the van Lear Black flight, at a hotel each night.

Another Dutch Flight.
Lieut. Koppen, the Dutch flying officer, who, as stated in the *Straits Times* recently, is making preparations for a Holland-Java flight, hopes to make the attempt in October.

The proposes subsequently to fly from Holland to South Africa and the Dutch West Indies.

The North-West Frontier.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the Minister for War, is proposing to sail for India early in November. He will visit the North-West Frontier and inspect the defences there. In the Service clubs it is remarked that this tour follows closely upon the visit of the Air Minister, Sir Samuel Hoare, who went to the same district to see the air defences of the great passes into Afghanistan and Baluchistan. The conjunction of two so important visits points to the extreme importance attached by the War Office to North-West Frontier problems at the present time. It is, of course, entirely wrong to suppose that because the old days of chronic frontier trouble are mainly over, we have no serious frontier difficulties to face now. Russian influence and propaganda are more active on the North-West Frontier of India than ever before, and care has to be expended in bringing the British military organisation into line with the most modern developments both on land and in the air.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans will be able to engage in conversations on the spot with General Sir Charles Harrington, who is now the G.O.C. of re-adjusted North-Western Command. Sir Charles is new to India, but he has a reputation for great vigour of mind and independence.—H.B.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

New Territory Agricultural Show Committee meeting, Sheung Shui, 9.30 p.m.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning, Lawn Bowls League—Division I: K.D.R.C. v. Tai Koo R.C.; K.B.G.C. v. O.S.C.C. Division II: Yacht Club v. Kowloon C.C. Friendly Football: Club de Recreo 1st XI v. R.A.F., 5 p.m. (King's Park).
Tennis: K.C.C. v. Services, 4.30 p.m.
St. Peter's Y.M.C. launch picnic. Launch leaves Queen's Pier, 3.45 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. St. Louis Club (C.C.Y.M.S.).
Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.—Grand Concert, City Hall, 6.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and King Edward Hotel.
Victoria Recreation Club 4th Night Fete, 9 p.m.
Concert at Kowloon C.C. for funds for Service Entertainment, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Johnny Get Your Hair Cut" (Jackie Coogan).
World Theatre: "The Seven Keys to Baldpate."
Star Theatre: "Wild Oats Lane."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Kiyber), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Murea), 10.30 a.m.; Canada, America, etc. and Europe via Victoria, B.C. (Tallyho), 10 a.m.

Sunday.

12th Sunday after Trinity.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning, Inter-Departmental Bowls Competition, Happy Valley.
H.K. Baseball League: Philippines v. "Tigers" (S.C.A.A.), Happy Valley Diamond, 4 p.m.
Open-air Concert by Band of 1st Queen's Royal Regt., Kowloon Dock Bathing Beach, 5 p.m.
Social Gathering, St. John's Cathedral Hall, after Evensong (8 p.m.).
Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.—Men's Meetings: "Cheer O," 7.45 p.m.; "Better O," 8 p.m.
After dinner dance, Lee Gardens.
Principal Mails:—Inward: America, Canada, etc. (President Grant).

Monday.

Labour Day (U.S.A.).
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning, Chinese Language School under auspices of H.K. General Chamber of Commerce, re-opens.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Annual Meeting, H.K. Philharmonic Society, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Annual meeting H.K. Hockey Club, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.
Water Polo League: K.B.S.F.P.A. "A" v. 2nd Scots Guards; Royal Navy v. V.R.C. "B".
Ping Pong League: Hop Ying Club v. St. Louis Club (C.C.Y.M.S.).
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia, etc. (St. Albans).

Tuesday.

Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Meeting of Management Committee of H.K. Football League, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.
Ping Pong League: Club de Recreo v. C.A.A. (Y.M.C.A.).
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and after dinner dance at Lee Gardens.
Oriental Strolling Players open season at Lee Theatre.
Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia, etc. (Taiping). Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Perseus), 2.30 p.m.; Canada, America, etc. Europe via Siberia and via Victoria, B.C. (President Jefferson), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
H.K. Baseball League: Japanese Philippines v. Happy Valley Diamond, 5.15 p.m.
Water Polo League: V.R.C. "B" v. 2nd Scots Guards; K.B.S.F.P.A. "B" v. K.B.S.F.P.A. "A".
Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. St. Peter's Club (S.C.A.A.).
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.

Thursday.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. H.K. University (C.C.Y.M.S.).
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MR. BOTTOMLEY'S PRISON EXPERIENCE.

A DERBY DAY TRAGEDY.

RUMINATIONS ON PRISON FARE.

Of all the things he has learnt in prison the one which Mr. Bottomley apparently finds most difficult to forget is the first day at Wormwood Scrubs.

"Think of it," he reminded his friends. "It was Derby Day, and as I paced my cell there I could hear the tooting of the horns and the roar of the traffic on the way to Epsom, and there was I, who had not missed a Derby for many years, and who had a box reserved that very day, cooped up in a prison cell—I shall never forget that moment."

Another memory that stands out vividly in Bottomley's recollection is of a Sunday in Maidstone Prison chapel. "I noticed a good-looking young man joining wholeheartedly in the service. He seemed to know the ritual perfectly, and as he was a newcomer I inquired who he was, and was told that he was Patrick Mahon, the man accused of cutting up a woman at Eastbourne."

The first year of Bottomley's imprisonment was spent at Wormwood Scrubs, and for a part of that period he had to wear the ordinary broad arrow branded khaki uniform of a convict. When he was transferred to Maidstone his uniform was changed to a grey jacket and he was put into the book-repairing shop. "I have been there all the time," he said, "and now I have a sort of trade at my finger ends—although I have always been concerned with printing."

The "Everlasting Chop."

Although he worked in the book-binding shop Bottomley slept in the hospital building and, as a hospital patient, was entitled to special menu. This is what, according to the man who had habitually dined at exclusive restaurants, it was: "Breakfast, served at 7 a.m., consisted of bread and margarine and tea; supper, at either four or five o'clock, was the same thing again; while the main item at dinner, served at a quarter past 12, was an eternal and everlasting 'chop,' which I became so tired of wrestling with that I often asked to be put upon the more varied prison menu."

Eating to Live.

With the restaurants and hotels of the West End again open to him, Mr. Bottomley looks back philosophically on his dietary of the last five years, and says, "You have to regard it simply as a holy fuel containing just enough vitamins, calories, and proteins to keep the engine going, and then shut your eyes and swallow it. And as the average cost per head of a convict's food is about 3s. 6d. per week, it is obvious that the menu is not of a luxurious character."

His Views on Champagne.

Bottomley, who has been pictured by some of his friends as a man who regarded champagne as a necessity to his everyday existence, has this to say about food and wines in the light of his five years' experience at Wormwood Scrubs and Maidstone. "Food never troubled me much, and, being a nonsmoker, I escaped what I found to be the principal privation of prisoners. As regards drink, I had never been either a beer or spirit drinker, while as to wine, although I have been described as a kind of Gargantuan guzzler, mopping up rivers of champagne, I don't think I have ever drunk a glass when alone. But I'll be more careful in future with whom I partake of it." Incidentally Mr. Bottomley was congratulating himself that he had not touched wine since his release from Maidstone in the morning, but he made no pledges that he intended to remain an abstainer. He disclosed to those about him the chagrin that he experienced in being compelled to complete the usual term of imprisonment applying to a seven-years sentence, and in doing so hinted at a breach of faith on the part of certain prominent politicians. He named a number of Cabinet Ministers past and present who, he alleged, promised to interest themselves in the reduction of his sentence, and he said:

"The general election came in the autumn of 1923 and, anticipating the defeat of the Government, I wrote to Mr. Bridgeman, the Home Secretary, reminding him of what I understood to be the position and asking him before leaving office to give a definite date for my release."

The Full Time.

"But there was no result." Then the Labour Government came and I decided to do nothing until I had completed a full two years. I accordingly waited until May 1924, when I wrote to Mr. Henderson, who was the Home Secretary, calling his attention to the fact that the expected order for my release had not arrived—only to be told in reply to make up my mind that I should have to do the full time. From that date I have never again raised the question of my release. My hopes revived a little when I saw a prospect of Mr. Baldwin's Government coming back. But alas and alack! they had chosen the Ross Campbell case as their battle cry in turning out the Labour Party, and thenceforward anything and everything savouring of an interference with the course of justice was taboo. Mr. Bottomley also had something to say with regard to "his special privileges."

A Grievance.

"As a matter of fact," he declared, "I was the only convict who was not permitted to have the usual notebook and pencil, and although I lodged in hospital I worked in the printing and book-binding shop every day and was not allowed to attend Saturday evening lectures, entertainments, or debates, or to have what is called 'talking exercise' as I reached the various stages to which these privileges were attached."

"The other convicts wanted me to give a series of lectures on the British Constitution and the working of Parliament and the Law Courts, but these were forbidden. When Mr. Bottomley started to discuss the events which led up to his sentence of seven years' penal servitude something of the old fire crept into his voice, but it was a travesty of the eloquence and fervour which in the past has mesmerised judges and hostile audiences. He admitted that he had aspirations towards Parliament, but added: 'Apart from whether I should care to do so or not, there are certain legal difficulties which would first have to be cleared out of the way.'"

"Weekly Dispatch" Articles.

"Ex-convict Bottomley," as he calls himself, is full of plans for the future. He was telling his nephew exactly what he is going to do. He said that in an article he is writing for *The Weekly Dispatch* he thinks he will "stir the heart of the nation."

"The following week," he said, "I shall begin a series of articles revealing the secrets of the prison House, and a little later will come the Humour of Prison Life (for it does have its humorous side). Illustrated by a brilliant black and white artist who happened to be managing the subject on the spot for a couple of years."

"And in about a month's time there will be a volume of 'Sons of the Cell' with the composition of which I whiled away many an hour and which I hope will compare not unfavourably with the effusions of Oscar Wilde thirty years ago. 'Then I shall tell for the first time my true life story, if only for the purpose of correcting some amazing 'Lives' which appeared when my hands and feet were tied."

He may also undertake a lecture tour and I am not sure that I should be ashamed to appear in prison uniform. Mr. Bottomley recounted how a syndicate had offered princely terms for a lecture tour in the United States and Canada, while another wanted to film him."

By the means of the privilege granted to him of reading *The Daily Mail* for the last six months and *The Weekly Dispatch* for the last twelve Mr. Bottomley declares that he has been able to keep in touch with public affairs, and in the solitude of his cell in Maidstone Prison he has formed very definite ideas of world affairs.

As he discussed matters with his family circle it was easy to imagine that he fancied himself back again on the public platform. "We appear to have struck a vein of most doleful mediocrity," he declared, "and so 'overwhelming are its forces that the few men of brains at present in public life are completely submerged.'"

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MR. COSGRAVE'S DIS- CLOSURES.

DUBLIN.

Mr. Cosgrave, President of the Executive Council, in the Dail moved the second reading of the Public Safety Bill, which is designed to deal with crimes such as the recent assassination of Mr. Kevin O'Higgins, and with other treasonable acts and conspiracies. Mr. Cosgrave, in a crowded house, which included Mr. Belton, a member of the Fianna Fail, who has taken the oath, referred to the activities of the so-called Army Council of the Irregulars, and gave dates of their meetings. He said: "We have information to show that the meeting of this so-called Army Council discussed the possibility of Mr. de Valera's party entering the Dail, and a suggestion was made that any Republican who took the oath should be shot as a traitor. This is the organisation which repudiated the assassination of Mr. O'Higgins. While it is assumed that this organisation as a whole did not plot to carry out the assassination, there is very little doubt that some section of it did. It is clear that this revolutionary organisation is a menace to the peace and security and liberty of the people, and steps must be taken to break it up and to make its continued existence impossible or at least difficult."

The assassination of the vice-president was the work of the remnant of the armed organisation which was responsible for the civil war. The assassination was plotted and carried out as a blow against the security of the State, and these responsible would carry out further deeds of violence unless special steps were taken to show them that they had no chance of success. The present bill was not panicky. No law-abiding citizen had any reason to be afraid of its provisions. "I ask the Dail to give the people a chance to live their lives in peace and security, and to consider the disastrous economic effects, including much unemployment, which are likely to ensue if powers are denied to the executive to deal effectively with the menace to stability which is indicated by the assassination of the Vice-President."

Mr. Thomas Johnson, leader of the Labour party, moved an amendment that the bill be read a second time on this day fortnight. This, he said, would, if carried, amount to an instruction to the Government to withdraw the present bill, and on Thursday fortnight to introduce a new bill. There was nothing but what was cowardly and vicious in the assassination of Kevin O'Higgins, and he and his party were prepared to give the executive power to suppress crime and criminal activity. But the present bill went much further than that. It proposed to set aside the ordinary constitutional guarantees and to set up military courts forthwith. Mr. Ernest Blythe, Vice-President of the Executive Council, said the Government was determined to arm itself with adequate powers now instead of waiting till this movement had attained such strength that no power, however drastic, could control it. Deputy Johnson was under a complete misapprehension in regard to military courts. The Government merely sought authority to set up and utilise them if other means of doing justice failed.

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THE ZANE GREY-ALMA BAKER EXPEDITION.

MR. ALMA BAKER BACK IN MALAYA.

SINGAPORE.

Mr. C. Alma Baker, C.B.E., one of the pioneer planters of Malaya, has returned here after a most interesting and successful fishing expedition around the coasts of New Zealand.

For a number of years now Mr. Alma Baker has made "big game" fishing his hobby, a sport in which he has been enthusiastically joined by Mr. Zane Grey, the well-known American novelist and authority on fishing. The expedition in New Zealand waters, both salt and fresh, was planned on an elaborate scale and began early in the year. The coastal waters and the North Tongororo River, described as the "best trout stream in the world," were thoroughly explored.

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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

September 3rd, 1927.

B.K. Bank	\$1,075 buy. & sa.
Do. London	£113 1/2 nom.
Chartered Bank	£20 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£23 1/2 nom.
Do. C.	£13 1/2 nom.
P. & O. Bank	£23 1/2 buy.
East Asia Bank	£25 nom.
Oversea Insurance	£300 sel.
China Underwriters	£14 nom.
North China Ins.	Tls. 143 nom.
Union Insurance	£290 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	M. \$37 buy.
China Fire Insurance	£210 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$600 nom.
Douglases	\$33 buy.
Steamships	\$14 sel.
Hong Kong Tug	\$0 1/2 sel.
Indo-China (Fr.)	\$30 nom.
Do. (Def.)	\$48 buy.
Shell Transports	\$2 1/2 nom.
Star Funnies	\$54 1/2 buy.
Waterboats	\$17 nom.
China Sugars	\$15 sel.
Malacca Sugars	\$32 sel.
Esquimaux	\$170 nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	49/- buy.
Langkai (combined)	Tls. 17 1/2 buy.
Do. (single)	Tls. 9 nom.
Shan. Explorations	Tls. 3 nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 8 nom.
Haube	\$4 buy.
Tromok Mines	19/3 nom.
Ural Caspian	\$110 1/2 buy.
H.K. & W. Wharfe	\$35 nom.
Hongkows	Tls. 140 buy.
New Engineering	Tls. 44 buy.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 115 1/2 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$64 nom.
H.K. Lands	\$54 1/2 buy, 55 sa
Hong Kong Realty	\$14 sel.
H.K. Territorial	\$14 sel.
Humphreys Estate	\$12 1/2 buy, 12 1/2 sa
Prince's Buildings	\$30 nom.
Rural Lands	\$14 nom.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 735 buy.
Oriental	Tls. 14 buy.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 61 nom.
Do. (new)	Tls. 25 1/2 nom.
China Bonds	Tls. 7 nom.
H.K. Tramways	\$20 buy & sel., 20 1/2 sel.
Peak Trams (old)	\$14 sel.
Do. (new)	\$7 sel.
Singapore Tractions	10/9 buy, 11/- sel.
Taxis	\$1 nom.
Amusements	\$20 nom.
Caution Loco	\$5 nom.
Cement (combined)	\$7 sel.
Do. (old)	\$660 nom.
Do. (new)	\$1 sel.
China Lights (comb.)	\$12 1/2 sel.
Do. (old)	\$3 sel.
Do. (new)	\$62 nom.
China Providents	\$4 1/2 buy, 4 1/2 sel.
Constructions	\$12 sel.
Dairy Farms	\$10 1/2 buy.
Der. & Wagon	\$6 sel.
H.K. Electric	\$34 1/2 buy.
Macao Electric	\$37 buy.
H.K. Rejes (old)	\$10 nom.
Do. (new)	\$5 nom.
Lane Crawfords	\$5 sel.
Mackintosh	\$22 buy.
Sinceres	\$44 nom.
United Asbestos	\$44 nom.
Watsons (old)	\$11 nom.
Wm. Powells	\$3 sel.
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EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

September 2nd, 1927.

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 7/16
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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
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ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1205
Credit, at 4 months' sight	1200
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	48 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1302
Bank Bills, on demand	
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1302
Bank Bills, on demand	
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	79 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	100
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	85 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	84 1/2
ON BATAVIA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	110
ON HAMBURG.—	
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Mr. Zane Grey is completing a "Seven Seas" fishing film and also a book on the same subject, which will contain a full account of the recent expedition. He proceeded home on *The Fisherman* by way of the South Seas to Los Angeles. Next year he proposes to explore the Australian and Java coasts, then come to Singapore to rest and proceed to the coasts of Madagascar, where the waters are famous for their striped marlin, black marlin and the gladiator of the seas, the broadbill swordfish.

Mr. Alma Baker has left Singapore for Batu Gajah, where he will inspect his various properties. He will remain in Malaya until October and then leave again for New Zealand, where he now has extensive sheep and cattle interests. Mrs. and Miss Alma Baker have remained in New Zealand. *Straits Times.*



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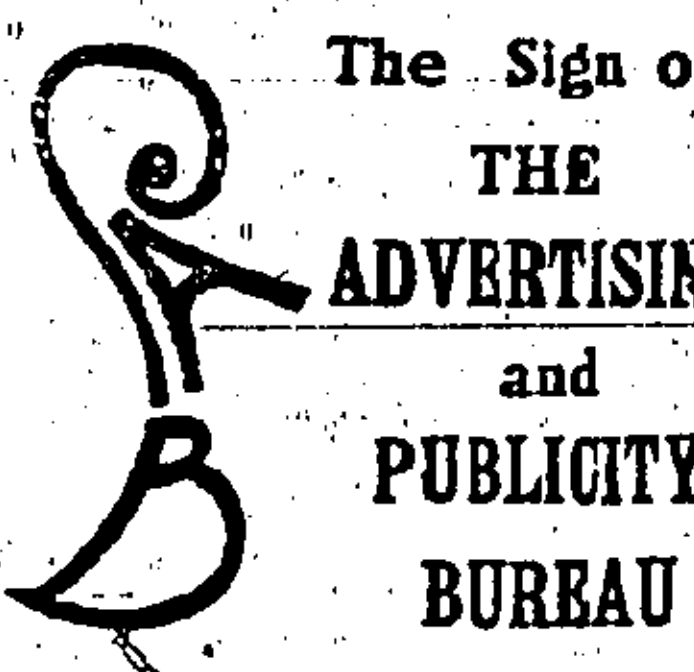
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YET ANOTHER PIRACY.

THE THIRD WITHIN THREE DAYS.

S.S. "KOCHOW" SEIZED AND LOOTED.

CHIEF ENGINEER SHOT AND THROWN OVERBOARD.

PIRATES COMPLAIN OF POOR HAUL.

OFFICERS AND CREW NARRATE EXPERIENCES.

The third piracy within the last three days was carried out by eight robbers on Thursday evening. The latest victim was the s.s. "Kochow," a steamer on the Hong Kong and Wuchow run. She was seized and thoroughly looted between Samshu and Taiping.

The Chief Engineer, Mr. E. Black, was shot in his cabin and his body was subsequently thrown overboard. The pirates told the crew that they had spent over \$10,000 to bring off this "coup." They had travelled on the "Kochow" over ten times, but opportunity did not come their way. The robbers left the ship quite dissatisfied saying that the haul made was not enough to recompense them for the trouble and expense they had gone to.

The pirates boasted that they were the men who had pirated the s.s. "Soliviken." The robbers left the ship at Taiping with all the cargo, and took away thirteen men with them for ransom.

Within two days of the pirating of the Indo-China Steamer "Tat Shing" comes the news of another piracy. It concerns a Chinese owned steamer, the s.s. "Kochow," a little steamer of 301 tons net, carrying only three European officers and a crew of 33, including Chinese engineers, etc., which plies between Hong Kong and Wuchow, calling at ports en route and for which the local agents are the Chuen Lee S.S. Co., 60, Ko Shing Street.

The "Kochow" left here at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, with about 100 passengers, in addition to the crew. The steamer can carry 504 passengers. At Sam Shu approximately 100 passengers disembarked, and a similar number taken on board. The vessel then left on her trip to Wuchow.

It was between Sam Shu and Shu Hing that the piracy occurred. The pirates, assumed control of the vessel, after getting past the Indian Guards and the piracy grilles. They held up the officers, shooting, and later throwing overboard, the Chief Engineer, Mr. R. Black.

They then proceeded to ransack the ship, robbing passengers and officers of all their effects, ransacked their cabins, and literally turned everything upside down in order to make a complete haul.

It is impossible to estimate the value of the booty, as the Comproadors and the whole of his staff who work the cargo, etc., were taken away by the pirates, who also detained about 100 passengers, leaving behind only a few passengers who had nothing worth taking, and sufficient sailors and firemen to work the ship.

ALL THE CARGO STOLEN.

The haul must be considerable. The whole of the cargo has gone, and all passengers have lost everything. The Captain and Chief Officer estimate their losses at anything between \$500 and \$1,000. Their money, jewellery and watches were taken. One officer alone lost \$250 in money.

The late Chief Engineer's cabin presented a scene of indescribable ravage. Trunks were turned upside down, everything was topsy turvy and anything of the slightest value was taken.

The "Kochow" left Sam Shu at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday, and it was about two and a half to three hours later that the pirates made their appearance. The Captain and the Chief Officer were then at dinner in the mess room, while the Chief Engineer was in his cabin.

On arrival at Tai Ping Shan the pirates left the ship, sampans coming off from the shore for them. The cargo was loaded into these craft, and the pirates, following the ransacking of the officers effects, and the robbing of the passengers and crew, which they had carried out most systematically, left the ship with their hostages (the Comproadors and his staff) together with several passengers.

"KOCHOW" RETURNS.

The "Kochow" then turned around, instead of proceeding to Wuchow, and made her way back to Sam Shu. By this time, H.M.S. "Moorehead," which was there, had been informed that something out of the ordinary had happened, ships passing the "Kochow" reporting having noticed something unusual taking place. The "Kochow" then made her way back to Hong Kong, as detailed elsewhere.

On the news reaching the Colony yesterday afternoon that another piracy had been rumoured, the police took immediate steps to investigate matters. A police launch left here shortly after seven o'clock last evening to meet the "Kochow" and escort her in, Detective Inspector Dooling being in charge.

Meanwhile, a strong force of European and Chinese police officers and detectives were marshalled at the Central Police Station, and a number of them kept vigil for several hours on the wharf at West Point waiting for the vessel's arrival.

The "Kochow" was at first expected to be reached here at 9 p.m., but time dragged on, and there was still no sign of her appearing. Eventually, at 12.35 she came alongside the wharf.

Almost immediately afterwards Mr. Booth (A.D.C.I.) arrived with Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds and other police officers from the Central, joining the police officers already in waiting on the wharf.

The police remained on board practically all night taking exhaustive statements from the officers and members of the crew.

CAPTAIN'S STORY.

Captain D. Morgan, who has been many years on the China Coast, was approached by a "Daily Press" reporter. He was still feeling the shock of the piracy, and with having had to give police statements. He was therefore unable to give a full story last night. Our representative found him sitting among the wreckage of debris of the late Chief Engineer's cabin. The floor was littered with empty tins, papers and rubbish, indicating the thoroughness with which the cabin had been ransacked.

The captain narrated how the ship left Hong Kong, discharged passengers at Sam Shu and taken more on. He said that he was certain the pirates, who only numbered eight, had boarded the ship at Sam Shu. Nothing untoward was suspected. The Captain was sitting in the mess room, which is next door to the bridge, with the Chief Officer, when they were held up at the point of the revolver and robbed.

Asked what he lost the Captain replied: "Everything practically." Clothes, personal effects and money, all had gone. "I saw," remarked the skipper, "one fine looking pirate wearing my binoculars around his neck. All the ship's arms were taken, six revolvers and six rifles, as well as the officers' personal weapons." "I think the Chief Engineer," poor fellow, was sitting in his cabin on the settee, as I am now, remarked the Captain, "when the pirates came. I should imagine that he tried to reach for his revolver and was shot in doing so. The next thing we knew was that his body had gone overboard. On the bridge, at the time the officers were having their evening meal, was the No. 1 Pilot.

THE CHIEF OFFICER.

When seen in his cabin, Chief Officer E. T. Evans, was endeavouring to review the losses. He gave it up as a bad job. "I cannot tell you," he said, "what the haul amounts to. It must be a lot. All the cargo has gone, the Comproadors has gone too, and presumably his money as well. I do not know what he had in the safe and I cannot estimate the value of the cargo, which was general in character. I know the officers lost everything, including most of their clothes. I have lost at least \$200 and the Captain must have lost about the same. What the poor Chief Engineer had I cannot estimate. It appears to be all gone.

Describing the bold up, the Chief Officer said "I and the Captain were sitting having dinner about seven o'clock when two men, armed with revolvers came in. Mr. R. Black, the Chief Engineer, had not then come into dinner. I think he was sitting in his cabin reading. What really happened, I do not know. We heard a shot, and when we saw him with his head lying out of the doorway, as if he had fallen off the settee, he seemed to be dead. Later, they threw his body overboard. The captain and myself were pushed into the hold and kept there until two o'clock the following morning (yesterday). We did not hear any more shots fired. When we arrived at Sam Shu we found that the "Moorehead" had received a report from the "Shan On" and "Swain," which had passed us.

THE SECOND ENGINEER'S STORY.

The second engineer, Mr. Ip Yung, interviewed by a "Daily Press" representative said that he was in his cabin talking with a friend when two pirates came into his room. The men were not armed, but nevertheless, they seized him and his friend and drove them out of the cabin. Once outside, the pirates struck him and his friend on the chest. The pirates then caught hold of them by the throat, when the Chief Engineer, Mr. Black, came to their rescue. Mr. Black's cabin was only two rooms away from the second engineer's. He made an attempt to get his pistol, but meaning a few armed pirates came on the scene, and they shot him down before he could get hold of his "gun."

"I lost everything. The pirates were about the worst bunch I have ever heard of. They even took the few cash I had in my drawer. I had \$150 in cash and about two hundred copper cents. These the pirates took and also all my clothing.

PIRATES NOT CONTENTED.

In conversation with the crew, our reporter was told that the pirates left the ship quite discontented at the poor haul made. The "Kochow" was not carrying valuable cargo. All she had was Chinese medicinal herbs and foodstuffs. These the robbers loaded into their junks and went away with them. There was a consignment of salt fish which the thieves did not touch.

One of the crew observed that the pirates said that they had spent over \$10,000 in bringing off this coup, and had travelled on the "Kochow" over ten times waiting for a good opportunity. Each time they were on board the ship, they found that the haul was too poor and was not worth their while. They could not wait any longer and therefore had to attack the vessel this time. They also boasted that they were the same gang that pirated the s.s. "Soliviken."

"EVERYTHING OF THE BEST" FOR THE PIRATES.

Another member of the crew said the pirates were about the greediest he had ever met. "They wanted everything of the best and they could eat and drink a lot. We were tired out through serving them with lemonade and opium. Any lack of attention on our part meant a punch or a kick."

INDIAN GUARDS OVERPOWERED.

There were two Indian guards on duty near the grilles. The other four guards, who were not on duty, were having their meal in the cabin. It was stated that the guards were terrified and opened the grille for the pirates to enter into the top deck.

THIRTEEN KIDNAPPED.

The pirates took thirteen prisoners, according to the crew. Among the prisoners were the Chief Comproador, Mr. Chung Ming Sam and a friend of the steward. Three others were from the crew and the rest passengers. The pirates seemed to know who were worth taking. Those whom they thought had nothing with which to pay ransom were left unmolested.

101 MEN ARRESTED.

It was stated that 101 men were arrested at Samshu. These were merely suspects and whether they had taken part in the piracy was not known.

THE OFFICERS.

The "Kochow's" officers have been on the China Coast for some years. Captain Morgan is a well known local skipper. The late Chief Engineer, Mr. R. Black, was a married man, and leaves a wife and children. It is understood, in New York. He was about 74 years of age. Mr. Evans, the Chief Officer, is also well known locally.

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Notts, on a difficult wicket in the morning, were dismissed for 61. Mercer had 6 for 31 and Ryan 4 for 14.

POLO.

THE MEADOW BROOK INTERNATIONAL MATCHES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEADOW BROOK, New York, September 2nd.

The first of the three international polo matches between the Army of India Team (representing Great Britain) and the United States for the Westchester Cup has been postponed from 5th till the 6th inst., as heavy rains have unfitted the Meadow Brook field for play.

OBITUARY.

MR. FRANK LYNN JENKINS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

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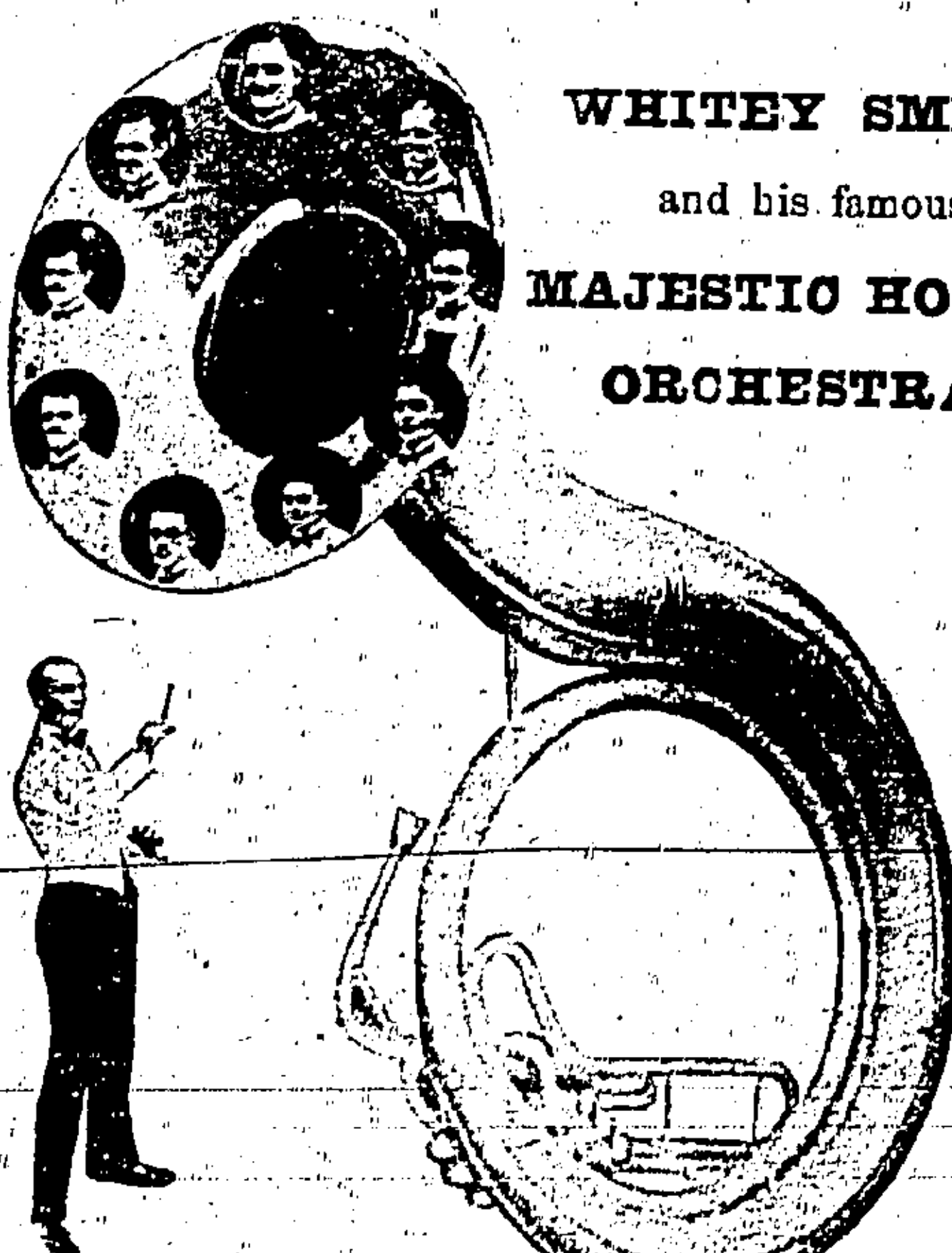
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SHANGHAI, August 29th. "The attention of the Nationalist Government authorities has been called to the activities of the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai, which organization apparently has departed from the usual policy of a trade chamber and is devoting itself to propaganda calculated to induce the American Government to intervene in a military way in China.

In this connection, a spokesman of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs said to-day that particular attention had been directed to recent resolutions and cables which have been sent to Washington, D.C., by the American Chamber demanding that the American Marines be used to prevent China from increasing her Customs duties.

In addition to this recent action, reports have reached the Government from the United States that the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai has been circulating newspapers and trade bodies in America with "literature" compiled by notorious tools of local "dichard" interests which contain unwarranted attacks upon the Nationalist Government, and its officials, the general purpose of which apparently is to get the American Government to become embroiled in the imperialist conspiracy for military intervention in China.

In reference to the activities of the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai, referred to in the foregoing, the Foreign Office spokesman pointed out that whilst the Nationalist Government welcomes legitimate criticism and co-operation on the part of foreign commercial organizations in China, nevertheless when a foreign chamber of commerce, such as the local American organization, departs from legitimate commercial pursuits and transforms itself into a propaganda organization for the dissemination of information inimical to the friendly relations of China and America, then it becomes a matter of serious concern which

the Nationalist Government cannot overlook.

China and America have enjoyed peaceful and friendly relations for nearly a century and a half, the first American commercial ship visiting Canton only a short time after the successful conclusion of the American Revolution against domination by European Imperialism. For many years American merchants traded peacefully at Canton with the Chinese merchants even before China and America entered into treaty relationship. America has never been aggressive toward China as have other nations; and China has almost always been able to look to America as a disinterested friend at critical periods, as, for instance, the Open Door Policy, the return of the Boxer Indemnity, and the efforts of Secretary Hughes to give China a square deal at the Washington Conference.

Unfortunately, however, the local American Chamber of Commerce seems to have come under the influence of certain European imperialistic interests and for several months has been conducting a propaganda which is detrimental to the friendly relations of China and America and also detrimental to the best interests of those American merchants, solely concerned in the development of trade, between China and the United States. In view of the fact that the American Chamber has its headquarters on Chinese soil, the Nationalist Government is forced to call attention to this matter and to issue a warning, that, unless the American Chamber ceases its under-handed activities, the Nationalist Government will be forced to bring the matter to the attention of the American authorities and ask that action may be taken by the American authorities to curb the Chamber whose pro-imperialist activities serve merely to provoke and alienate all Chinese interested in the continuance of friendly relations between our country and America.—Kuo Min.

RETIREMENT OF MISS SUMMERSKILL.

LOSS TO VICTORIA NURSING HOME SHANGHAI.

TRIBUTE TO HER WORK.

SHANGHAI, August 30th. The staff of the Victoria Nursing Home gave a farewell entertainment and fête for Miss E. Summerskill, retiring Matron of the Home, on Saturday night, in the garden of the hospital which had been prettily illuminated with lanterns and where refreshments were served to guests.

Presentation was made of a purse with cheque, and a handsome scroll, the gift of the foreign nursing staff to Miss Summerskill whose departure will be much regretted by the medical and nursing professions in Shanghai.

Dr. Noel Davies made the presentation address and spoke of the important developments in the Municipal nursing service in Shanghai in general and of the Victoria Nursing Home in particular. He said that the Municipal nursing service had been started in 1896 and that for the first four years consisted of only three nurses. It was rapidly developed by Dr. Stanley, and on March 27th, 1901, the V.N.H. Home was opened and handed over by the Diamond Jubilee Committee to the Council, to be held in trust as a permanent memorial of the Great Queen. During the matronship of Miss Summerskill, during the last 15 years, the development of the hospital had been great, Dr. Davies said. The mental block was added in 1907, the main block enlarged and redecorated in 1913, the Maternity Home established in 1915, the Children's Block in 1918, and the

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CHINESE CLASSICS.

2,000 VOLUMES OFFERED FROM SHANGHAI.

I am not less susceptible to flattery than most men and own that I am flattered by an invitation that has just reached me from Shanghai, writes an Evening Standard correspondent. It is to subscribe to a new complete edition of the Chinese classics.

Enclosed is a descriptive booklet, which will, I am informed, "convince you of the wealth of information contained in those 11,344 books, tastefully bound in 2,000 volumes, which you must feel proud to possess." "Even forgetting," the appeal goes on, "the intrinsic value of the collection—we believe nobody can—the artistic appearance and the novelty attached to it will surely help you make up your mind to reserve a good corner of your growing library of world-famous books for this monstrous piece of work."

I wish I could. The volumes, which work out at only about sixpence apiece, seem cheap at the price. Moreover, as the booklet says, "on the edge of every volume is printed the title and number of volume and this is done absolutely gratuitously."

The address of this enterprising publisher is, deliciously, 277, Bubbling Well Road.

District and Visiting Nursing Services were begun in 1925. In conclusion Dr. Davies said, "Miss Summerskill has the satisfaction of knowing that her work has been greatly appreciated by the people of Shanghai, and that she leaves behind her a noble achievement."

In reply to this, Miss Summerskill made a few suitable remarks expressing her appreciation.—N.C. Daily News.

PAWNBROKER WITHOUT A LICENSE.

INGENIOUS DEFENCE OVER- RIDDEN.

PRIVILEGE THAT WAS ABUSED.

An interesting case was heard yesterday afternoon at the Central Magistracy, when a Chinese was charged before Major C. Willson with carrying on the trade of a pawnbroker without a license.

The defendant, Yam Chuen, was defended by Mr. F. C. Hall and the case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy.

Mr. Fitzroy said that the defendant was the owner of the Luen Yick Pawn Shop. He was given a license, which expired on March 30th, 1926. A renewal was applied for, but for some reasons or other, the Police refused to grant one. The defendant then lodged a petition with the Captain Superintendent of Police and also with the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. The renewal was still withheld, and he was told to stop business. He was, however, allowed eight or ten months to get rid of his pledges, but in spite of that the defendant did still carried on business as a pawnbroker.

Mr. Hall: Allow me to interrupt. The defendant was arrested before the reply came from the S.C.A. Mr. Fitzroy: Never mind that. All I have to prove is that there was no license and that the defendant was doing business as a pawnbroker. Your Worship, that is all that concerns this Court.

Evidence was then called. Wong Tsai, a Chinese tailor, said that on the morning of August 23rd, he went to the Luen Yick Pawnshop at No. 134, Wellington Street, to pawn a waistcoat. He pawned it for 30 cents and a ticket was issued to him by the defendant. On coming out of the pawnshop he was accosted by a Chinese detective who questioned him and took him to the Police Station.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hall, witness said that he was not sent by anyone to pawn the waistcoat. He went there himself as he needed the money to buy a cup of tea. Mr. Hall: How did you know that the person you met outside the pawnshop was a detective? I did not know at first, but when he started to question me and took me to the Station, I then knew he was a detective.

Another Chinese, Chan Yui, who is employed as a house-boy at the Chinese Detectives' quarters, also said that he pawned a pair of shoes at the Luen Yick Pawnshop for \$1. It was on August 23rd. He was given a ticket by the defendant. When he came out from the pawnshop he met a Chinese detective. He was also taken to the Police Station.

Mr. Hall: Have you ever been to the Luen Yick Pawnshop before?

Yes.

Mr. Hall: What for?—To pawn things.

Mr. Hall: Were you asked by someone to pawn your things there?

No. I went there myself.

Mr. Hall: Didn't Ip Chin tell you to go there?—No.

Mr. Hall: You are a house-boy at the Chinese Detectives' quarters; does Ip Chin live there too?

Yes.

Mr. Hall: Did you see Ip Chin before you entered the shop?—No. I only saw him when I came out.

Sergeant D. Fitches gave evidence to the effect that the Luen Yick license expired on March 30th, last year. On the expiry of their license they were warned by Chief Detective Murphy to close up their businesses. They were, however, given 8 to 10 months to get rid of their pledges, and during that time they were not accept new pledges, as their license would not be renewed. In consequence of the report that the two men had pawned things there, the defendant was arrested.

Mr. Hall: Was he arrested on a warrant?—No.

Mr. Hall: Is there any power under the Pawnbroker's Ordinance to you to arrest anyone?—He was not arrested.

Mr. Hall: Don't you call that an arrest?—He was taken to the Station and charged and was only allowed to go out on payment of \$250 bail.

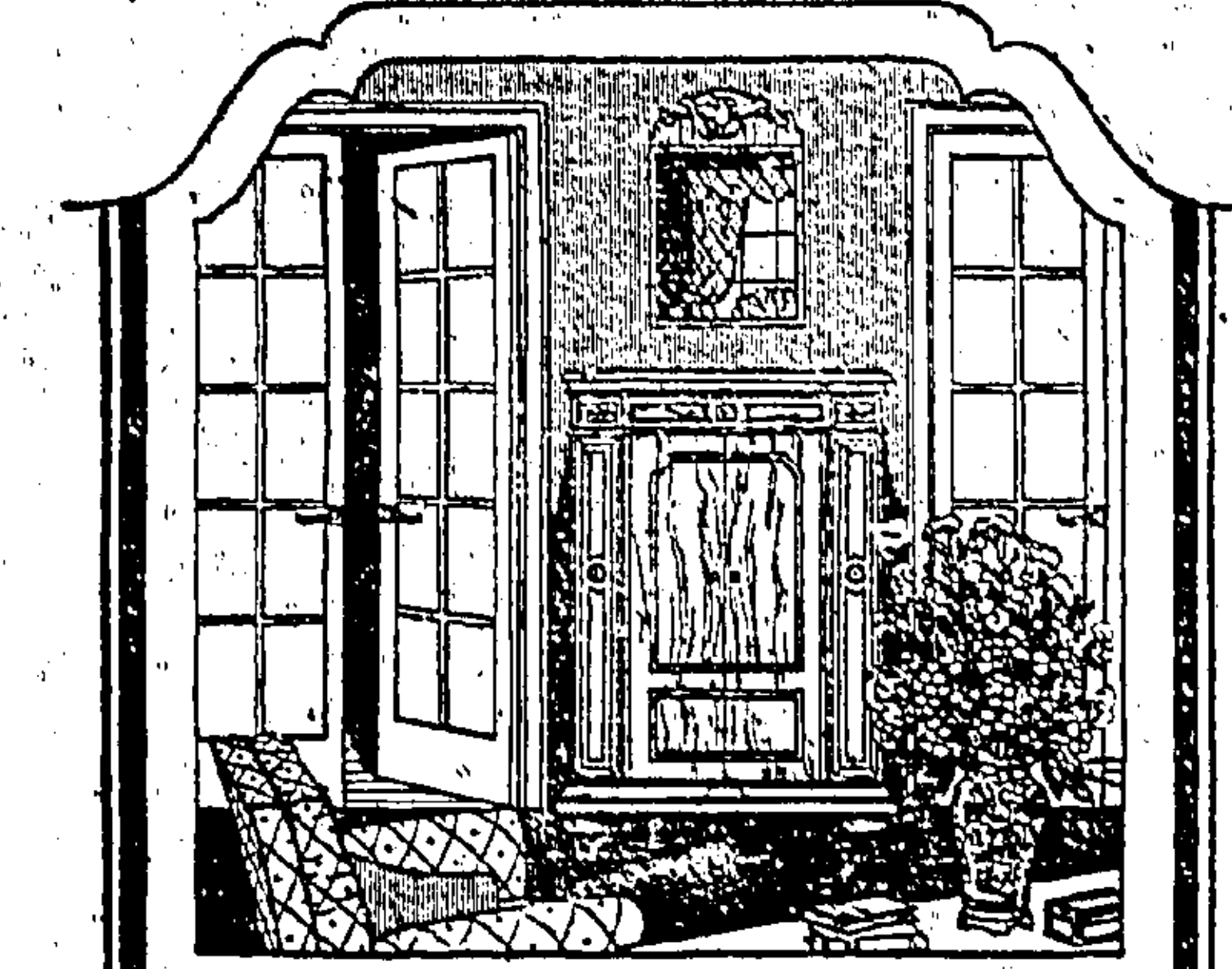
He was asked to come to the Station.

Mr. Hall: Have you studied the Pawnbroker's Ordinance?—I know something about it.

Mr. Hall: Now under Section 2, a pawnbroker can receive and take in certain goods and one can redeem them on payment of anything?—Yes.

Mr. Hall: The trade of a pawnbroker is therefore to receive in pawn, and to get rid of pledges. Therefore getting rid of pledges is also carrying on the trade of a pawnbroker?—In a sense, yes.

Mr. Hall: Nevertheless he was still a pawnbroker. He was allowed 8 to 10 months to get rid of his pledges, and therefore he can't be anything else than a pawnbroker?—He was allowed to get rid of his pledges.



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Mr. Hall: How long have you been in charge of this department?

For six months.

Mr. Hall: Can you tell us why defendant's license was not renewed?

For breach of regulations.

Mr. Hall: Can you point to what breach of regulation the defendant had committed?—It was for opium.

Mr. Hall: Was the last witness sent to the pawnshop purposely?

Not by me and I can't say, but it looks like it.

Mr. Hall: I am glad you agree with me.

This closed the case for the prosecution. Mr. Hall then submitted to the Court that if the C.S.P. had given the defendant permission to get rid of the pledges, he, the defendant, must necessarily be a pawnbroker, under Section 2, Section 3 of that Ordinance is governed by Section 2. Therefore legally speaking the defendant was still a pawnbroker. "You can't make him half a broker, your Worship. How can you make an order for him to give and not to receive," said Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hall pointed out that the Ordinance clearly showed that the Police could not refuse to renew a license. It was stated in the Ordinance that licenses may be issued or renewed on the discretion of the Police "under certain conditions."

He contended that the Police could make certain conditions only but could not entirely refuse to renew. Whatever those conditions might have been the Police have failed to notify his client, he said, "I you could put a full stop to the Police."

His Worship: I cannot put a full stop to anybody.

Mr. Hall: I mean, your Worship, a full stop after the word "Police."

Mr. Hall then went on to say that if a full stop is put after the words "discretion of the Police," then "under certain conditions" would imply something else. As it stands, he said, it clearly shows that the intention of this legislation was more concerned with the fact than anything else. It would mean that the C.S.P. must grant or renew this license "under certain conditions," and counsel claimed that the conditions had never been imposed on his client.

The license was withdrawn accordingly. "According to the interpretation of the Ordinance, I would say that the license is still there, although Mr. Fitzroy said we have no license, and on the license itself nothing was said that breaches of regulations would involve the cancellation of the license or that a renewal would not be granted," concluded Mr. Hall.

Replying Mr. Fitzroy said that what the defence had said was nothing more than drawing red lines on the Ordinance. The defendant, he said, was allowed time to wind up his business, because if he was not allowed the time it would mean a heavy loss to him. This, he said, was done in any business which had gone into liquidation. They were allowed time to settle up their affairs, but no new business could be entered into. "All the C.S.P. did was to say, 'I will not prosecute you for allowing people to redeem their pledges, otherwise it would be a loss to you, but you are not to take on new pledges.' If there is

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HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending August 27th, states:—

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| Plague. | 2 cases at Alexandria. |
| | 1 case at Bombay. |
| | 1 case at Colombo. |
| Cholera. | 49 cases at Basrah. |
| | 2 cases at Bombay. |
| | 7 cases at Calcutta. |
| | 53 cases at Madras. |
| | 1 case at Manila. |
| | 4 cases at Tourane. |
| | 1 case at Macao. |
| | 24 cases at Shanghai. |
| | 10 cases at Amoy. |
| | 6 cases at Canton. |
| Small-pox. | 1 case at Port Said. |
| | 1 case at Basrah. |
| | 5 cases at Bombay. |
| | 7 cases at Calcutta. |
| | 1 case at Nyaungnam. |
| | 3 cases at Rangoon. |
| | 35 cases at Bandjermasin. |

HOSPITAL COMFORTS.

The Hospital Comforts Committee begs to acknowledge, with many thanks, receipt of the following:—Curtains for the Chapel ("Diocesan Boys' School," Hospital) from the Women's Guild; parcels of literature from Mrs. C. Stark, Mrs. A. T. Hamilton and Mrs. Minett.

any idea that the C.S.P. exceeded his duty, it was up to them to go to the higher court and lay their complaints," said Mr. Fitzroy.

Mr. Fitzroy further argued that whether the C.S.P. had exceeded his power or not in not granting a renewal had nothing to do with the Court. The Court's duty, he said, was to decide that whether defendant had a license to carry on business as a pawnbroker. If it was proved that the defendant had no license, the next thing would be for the Court to decide whether the defendant did actually carry business as a pawnbroker. "If the Court is satisfied on these two points, the Court must convict," concluded Mr. Fitzroy.

Mr. Hall said that he did not wish to call evidence, but arising out of Mr. Fitzroy's remarks, he had to say that he had seen Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Investigation) several times in regard to the matter. He had been given to understand that the defendant's papers would be sent to the S.C.A. He therefore had the impression that the license was only kept in abeyance until the higher authority should decide on it. He had no idea that the license was totally cancelled. It really came as a bomb-shell to him when he heard that his client had been arrested and that he had to appear to defend him, Mr. Hall said.

In imposing a fine of \$100, his Worship said that he had no doubt that the defendant had ignored the order of the C.S.P. He was told him to get rid of his pledges, instead of which he had undertaken new pledges.

THE NAVAL RAID ON BIAS BAY.

ANOTHER SHARP LESSON FOR THE PIRATES.

FIFTY HOUSES DESTROYED.

FURTHER WARNING THAT PUNISHMENT MAY BE REPEATED.

When the naval raid on Bias Bay took place, following the piracy of the *Hap Sung*, warnings were posted in the villages that similar punishment would be meted out again if other British ships were molested. In conformity with this declared policy the pirate haunts were raided a second time on Thursday immediately it became known that the s.s. *Tai Shing* had suffered at the hands of these ruffians.

The procedure was very similar to that of the first raid. The objectives were two villages—Cheung Pai and Fan Lo Kong, which gives its name to the well-known Fan Lo Kong inlet, where it was known to the Police that a number of pirates resided. Fan Lo Kong is a village of 10,000 inhabitants. The intention was to destroy the houses of individual pirates rather than to burn a whole village.

The raiding party were expected and upon landing at Hoi Chau they were met by some of the Elders of the district. These Elders willingly conducted the Naval force to Cheung Pai and Fan Lo Kong in which villages, it was admitted, the pirates lived. At the outset, however, they were nervous about pointing out individual residences and it was not until forty houses had been destroyed on the outskirts of Cheung Pai, and they realised that the Navy were in earnest, that they consented to do as requested. Five houses were then indicated in the village of Cheung Pai and subsequently five more in Fan Lo Kong, all of which were demolished, making a total of 50 in all.

No opposition of any kind was offered by the Elders when they realised that only the houses of the pirates were to be destroyed. Indeed, at Fan Lo Kong one of the Elders personally thanked the Captain Superintendent of Police for the forbearance shown in not destroying the whole place. It is interesting to note that the pirates' residences were by far the most substantial structures in the district.

The greatest precautions were taken that no lives should be endangered and that live-stock should be kept out of harm's way. Buildings in the neighbourhood of Joss Houses were not touched. In one of the pirates' houses the pirate was found lying dead in his coffin. He had apparently been shot in some quarrel the day previously. This house was not molested. Warnings were posted, as before, that if further piracy occurred the same retribution would follow and the landing party then withdrew.

On account of the miles of shallow, muddy water the operation of landing and re-embarking a force of 500 men, with necessary equipment, is a most difficult one, but it was carried through with the greatest efficiency and there was no untoward incident. Aeroplanes hovering overhead assisted in the operations.

The residents in Bias Bay fully expected a raid after the piracy of the *Salmiken* and for several days they all camped on the hillside. On Thursday the villages were again practically deserted except for the few Elders. Most of the junks sailed away as soon as they saw the Naval vessels. About ten which remained behind were destroyed.

The following ships took part in the expedition:—

H.M.S. *Hermes*,
H.M.S. *Danae*,
H.M.S. *Fury*,
H.M.S. *Sirdar*,
H.M.S. *Argus*.

The H.M.S. *Argus* was on her way to Shanghai but turned back and arrived at Bias Bay shortly after the operations had commenced. The expedition started on Thursday morning at 4 a.m. and anchored some distance off the coast at 8 a.m. The landing party of 500 men in small boats was towed as far as possible by the *Fury*, *Sirdar* and then rowed the remainder of the distance.

The expedition was originally under the command of Captain R. Eliot, C.B.E., of H.M.S. *Hermes*, but when H.M.S. *Argus* arrived, Captain Palmer, as the Senior Naval Officer, took charge. Captain McKinnon, of H.M.S. *Danae*, was in command of the landing party. With them were the Captain Superintendent of Police (Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe), Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence and about eighteen members of the Hong Kong Police Force, most of them being Chinese detectives.

The party, under the direction of the Elders, entered the village of Cheung Pai at 11.20 a.m. and the first house was fired at 11.25 a.m. Operations ceased at noon and a start was made for Fan Lo Kong which was reached at 1 o'clock. In less than an hour the five houses had been destroyed and the raiding party left shortly after 2 p.m.

CANTON GUILDS YIELD.

44 PER CENT. LEVY ON MONEY SHOPS' CAPITAL.

A PRO-CHIANG KAI SHEK PLOT?

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The financial crisis in Canton is over, the merchants and money exchangers having capitulated to the Government's high handed exactions. On Thursday every resisting bank and exchange, even to the small street stalls where petty exchange is carried on, were guarded by police and prevented from carrying on business. The Government then issued a declaration that those money businesses willing to accept the official terms would be allowed to open. The Government levy would be 44 per cent. of the assessed capital in every case. The money exchangers, bearing in mind the threat held over their heads that their safes would be forced and all their assets taken, hastened to comply. Within a few hours eighty per cent. capitulated and, seeing that resistance was futile the remainder followed suit. The Bank of Canton has also yielded, accepting the Government's demand for \$400,000. As the news spread the value of the Central Bank's currency went up one or two points. In Hong Kong their value rose from 66 on the 1st instant to 73 yesterday. The General Chamber of Commerce has accepted the demand for \$9,000,000 from its members and the six committee men under arrest have been released. All payments have to be made in Central Bank Notes.

Canton is, of course, full of rumours as to what lies behind the Government's action. Many think that it is a move on the part of the Chiang Kai Shek faction to secure their leader's return to power at Canton. The Minister of Finance, Mr. Koo Ying Fun, is a strong adherent of the ex-Generalissimo, but General Li Tsai Hsin's attitude is uncertain. Colour was lent to these reports by the press in Canton, big headlines appearing in which the masses were urged to demand Chiang Kai Shek's recall. Supporters of this move were called upon to join an organisation in its support, and to attend to-morrow the mass meetings and processions that were being hastily organised.

The Government declares that the whole financial crisis was engineered by the counter revolutionaries. According to reliable report the whole affair was "rigged" by a group of leading merchants who have been making large sums by buying and selling on the fluctuating value of the Central Bank's currency.

The Nanking Government has appointed another four members to the Provisional Committee now responsible for the governing of Canton. They are Hsu Ching Ching, Hsu King Tong, Leung Son Wing, and Wu Kwan Kie. They are expected to arrive in Canton early next week.

ON THE KIANGSI BORDER.

General Wang Su Hung, formerly Chief of the Staff to General Li Tsai Hsin, has gone to Shinkwan on the North River. The Canton Government views the military situation with some apprehension and a large number of troops have been sent to the Northern Border. It is said that the "Red" forces are steadily gaining adherents from the countryside.

THE LATE MR. WALTER HAMILTON'S ESTATE.

IN SCOTLAND, ENGLAND AND ABROAD.

OVER £200,000.

Over £200,000 has been left in Scotland, England, Ceylon and Hong Kong by the late Mr. Walter Hamilton, late of Mallowdale, Skelmore, Ayrshire, Scotland.

Resealing of probate of the will of the late Mr. Hamilton and three codicils has been granted to Mr. G. N. Tinson, attorney, acting for Mr. D. J. Lewis, who was appointed attorney on behalf of St. John Traill Cargill, Bt., of 175, West George Street, Glasgow, and Mr. James Cargill Thompson, solicitor, of 190, St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, the trustees and executors named in the will.

The late Mr. Hamilton, left estate in Hong Kong valued at \$43,200. In Scotland the net estate is valued at £124,571.15.9, and in England at £153,133.10.9 net. Abroad there is estate placed at £24,700 odd, which includes the Hong Kong property. The estate abroad, apart from that left in this Colony, is all in Ceylon.

The late Mr. Hamilton was predeceased by his wife, and leaves no children.

ARMED ROBBERS AT SWATOW.

JARDINE, MATHESON'S AGENT INJURED.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., and the Douglas steamer *Hai Hong* received cabled information yesterday of an outrage on their representative at Swatow, Mr. W. H. Tindal King. There has as yet been no further news, but it appears that Mr. King had retired to bed about 1 a.m., and that a little later his house was entered by armed robbers.

The intruders numbered about half a dozen, some were armed with hatchets and daggers and one carried a revolver. When they entered his bedroom, Mr. King drew a revolver from beneath his pillow and fired at the robbers, but with what result is not known. Before they beat a hasty retreat the leader of the band fired two shots, both of which hit Mr. King's arm, injuring his wrist and forearm. Fortunately, the wounds have not been attended by any serious after effects.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE COLONY.

A LETTER FROM THE WELCH REGIMENT.

Alick W. Cordery, of "A" Company, The Welch Regiment, who embarked on the *Terminus* yesterday for Shanghai, has written a letter of thanks to the residents of Hong Kong through Mr. Ingram of the Charter Road Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. In his letter gratitude is expressed on behalf of the men of the Welch Regiment for the kindness shown to them by Hong Kong residents during their stay in the Colony. Special thanks is returned to the entertainments committee, the artists, the lady and gentlemen workers of the Y.M.C.A. and the residents for all they have done. The efforts have been wholeheartedly appreciated. It is with regret that the Welch Regiment leave Hong Kong.

INDIAN GUARD AND HIS CHINESE FRIEND.

Mooran Singh, an Indian guard on the s.s. *Charles Hardown*, was in his cabin with a Chinese boy at about 4.15 p.m. on Thursday, when he was interrupted by Nard Singh who is the Inspector of the ship's guards. Mooran Singh did not like this intrusion, and is said to have resented it in a forceful manner, flooring the Inspector with a well-aimed blow.

Mooran Singh was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defence. The case was remanded until next Thursday.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The next working party of the Mothers' Union is to be held at the Helena May Institute from three to five o'clock on Tuesday, September 6th.

On Tuesday afternoon, September 5th, the new season will open with a talk from Mrs. Minnett on "Sign Posts on Health Roads." Lady Clementi has promised to preside.

A CHINESE WILL.

THE WORRIES OF POLYGAMY.

SMART AND SUITABLE FOR MANAGING.

Interesting references to old Chinese law, and to the penalty for disobeying it are made in the will of a godown keeper, named Chen Shun Mow, alias Tsa Kan, late of Chu Yuen Village, Heung Shan District, Kwangtung, who died on February 21st, 1924, at this village.

Probate has just been granted to Chan Li Shi, Chan Leung Shi and Chan Tang Shi, his three concubines, residing at No. 144, Wu Sung Street, second floor, Yau-mat. Deceased only left a matter of \$800 in Hong Kong, but it is presumed, in view of what he states in his will about having left plenty of money, that there is other estate elsewhere in China.

In his will, deceased says in part "My age has nearly reached half a century and fortunately I am still enjoying good health, notwithstanding that, there is no harm to give beforehand a few words of direction in the case of any unexpected event happening. As to the money and property which will be left by me, such will be found sufficient to support my descendants. Indeed, they may have no fear of being hungry and cold."

In making provision for the meals of his three concubines out of a common fund, it is stated that each of them is entitled to receive an allowance of \$10 per month for expenses.

The will continues: "In the event of any of them (the concubines) disobeying the family rules her allowance shall certainly be stopped and she shall be expelled from the family without leniency."

He also makes provision for his two daughters who are to receive \$5 per month each for their clothing, which share is to cease on their marriage, in which event each is to be allowed \$1,500 for her dowry, but no such allowance shall be drawn beforehand.

The will goes on: "The most lamentable fact is the management of the household affairs. My first concubine is very smart and suitable for managing (the family affairs) but as her disposition is very strict and obstinate it will be difficult for her to get along with other members of the family in harmony. If I appoint someone else to take charge of the family affairs then she will not be submissive. For this reason I cannot help worrying."

To get over the difficulty, deceased directs that the three concubines shall jointly manage the estate.

The will enjoins that there must be no extravagance in the family so that the estate may be long enjoyed. He further emphasises the importance of adopting a son to succeed him, and recommends his nephew for this position.

He instructs that any concubine whether she has any children of her own or not, shall not be allowed to adopt a son to share the property. Even a daughter shall not be adopted.

In the event of any one of the concubines disobeying this direction she may be expelled without leniency, instructs the deceased.

Precautions are also taken in the will to safeguard against the adopted son squandering the estate, and depriving the concubines of a living, by not allowing him to inherit fully until the two brothers and two concubines are dead.

THE MURDER OF MRS. MACKAY.

EVIDENCE OF ARREST.

PRISONER SAID STAINS WERE FISH BLOOD.

Further evidence was taken yesterday in connection with the charge against two Chinese of the murder of Mrs. Rose Mackay.

The two defendants appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Central Magistracy. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuting.

A salesman in the ladies' outfitting department of the Wing On Co. gave evidence to the effect that the deceased was a regular customer. From a photograph shown, he recognised Mrs. Mackay, and he signed a cash receipt which was produced. It was dated August 6th, but witness said it could have been issued on the evening of August 5th, as the store balance their daily sales at 6 p.m. every day and all sales after that hour would date the next day.

A Chinese detective described the arrest of the defendants. He said that when they were brought into the Station, the first defendant volunteered the statement that the blood-stains on his jacket were fish blood. The arrest was made as a result of information received.

After other formal evidence had been taken the case was again adjourned.

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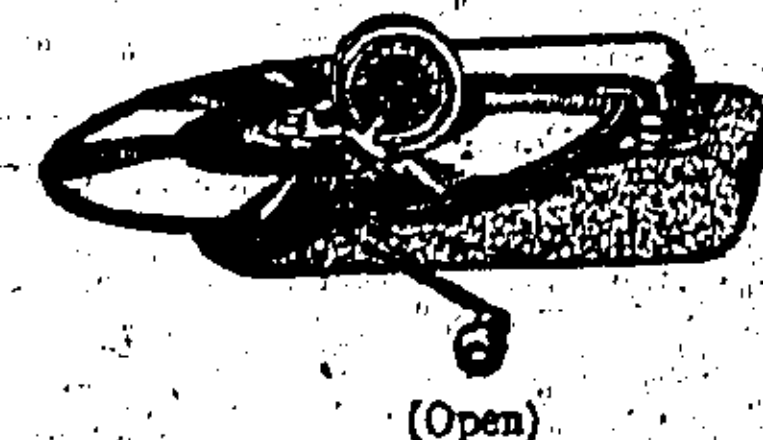
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A GENERAL MEETING OF CONTRIBUTORS will be held at the City Hall, Music Room, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1927, at 2.30 in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report by the Liquidators and a Summary of the Liquidators' Receipts and Payments from the 4th AUGUST, 1926, to 31st JULY, 1927.

J. HENNESSEY SETH, Joint Liquidator.
S. HAMPDEN ROSS, Joint Liquidator.
Hong Kong, 2nd Sept. 1927. [5290]

REMOVAL NOTICE.

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Entries will CLOSE at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON on SATURDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER, 1927. [5282]

UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.
NOTICE.

MATRICULATION, SENIOR AND JUNIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

DECEMBER, 1927.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above Examinations will begin on MONDAY, DECEMBER 5th, 1927. Forms of Entry and Copies of the Regulations and the Syllabus can be obtained on application to the REGISTRAR.

Entry Forms duly filled in, should reach the REGISTRAR, together with the Statutory Fees, or before the 17th SEPTEMBER, 1927. Fees shall be paid in accordance with the following Scale:—

MATRICULATION AND SENIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.—H.K. \$20.

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Bound Copies of Examination Question Papers, set at Past Examinations, may be obtained from the REGISTRAR at \$1.00 per set.

W. B. FINNIGAN, Registrar.
51st August, 1927. [5276]

INTIMATIONS.

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH YEARLY DRAWING OF 20 DEBENTURES (1920 Issue—\$500 Each) of the HONG KONG CLUB, Payable on FRIDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1927, will be held in the City Hall, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M. on THURSDAY, the 28th SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
A. H. ABBAS, Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Aug. 1927. [5263]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

IN Terms of Debenture Conditions Nos. 12, 13 and 14, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the DRAWING OF 20 ADDITIONAL DEBENTURES (1920 Issue—\$500 Each) of the HONG KONG CLUB, Payable on SATURDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1928, will be held in the City Hall, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M. on THURSDAY, the 28th SEPTEMBER, 1927, immediately after the SEVENTH YEARLY DRAWING OF 20 DEBENTURES.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
A. H. ABBAS, Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Aug. 1927. [5264]

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THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the above League will meet at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS (By kind permission), on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th at 5.30 P.M., to make Arrangements for the League Competitions for the Coming Season. Club Secretary's are invited to be present.

W. E. HOLLANDS, Hon. Secretary.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION ON MONDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER, 1927, COMMENCING AT 9.30 A.M. AT H.M. NAVAL YARD DEPOT, KOWLOON.

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DEATH.

MACASKILL.—At the French Hospital on the 2nd inst., at 1 p.m., CHRISTIAN SPENCE, the dearly beloved wife of K. R. MACASKILL, Hong Kong, and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. Funeral will pass the monument at 5 p.m. to-day. [5230]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The family of the late Mrs. PETRONILLA MARIA ROZARIO beg to acknowledge the many kind expressions of sympathy on their recent bereavement. Also attendance at the funeral and floral tribute. [5237]

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, SEPTEMBER 3rd, 1927.

AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS.

We published yesterday H.E. THE GOVERNOR's review of the financial history of Hong Kong during the past thirty years. To-day we have been favoured with the impression of a former resident of the Colony who has returned upon a visit after an absence of fifteen years. Those of us who live here year in and year out perhaps fail to appreciate the progress which is being steadily made. There is undoubtedly a tendency, at times, to concern our-

INTIMATIONS.

Verses for the Week.

"The man's emphatically mad.
Who drinks the best, yet can be sad."
(RABELAIS).

"Let other poets raise a fracas,
'Bout vines and wines, an' drunken Bacchus.
An' crabbit names and stories wrack us
An' grate our lugs;
I sing the juice Scotch malt can mak' us
In glass or jug."

As with new wine intoxicated both,
They swim in mirth, and fancy that they feel
Divinity within them."
(BURNS).

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elves unduly with details of construction and to forget the main outlines of the building. We sometimes fail to see the forest on account of the trees.

It is refreshing, therefore, to find that the wanderer returning to his old haunts is filled with admiration at the improvements which have been effected in our surroundings. One cannot help feeling proud, he says, of the British who have been here and have done "a good job of work." They have not been selfish or narrow in their outlook. They have had regard for all sections of the population and these different peoples appear to have been splendidly catered for both in regard to housing, and business accommodation as well as recreation. The remarkable growth in the foreign communities, he continued, affords eloquent testimony to that broad liberality of mind which invites all comers to the Port in the interest of trade and places facilities at their disposal for its successful conduct. Our friend has spent his recent years in North China and he is of the opinion that there is no city in the East, not even Shanghai, which has become more thoroughly international than Hong Kong.

The change in the configuration of the water-front, east and west, excited comment, but the greatest praise was reserved for the remarkable development in Kowloon and the New Territories. Not only have the new roads transformed Hong Kong topographically; they have completely changed the business and social outlook of the residents. Everything, he says, seems to move with greater speed than it did before, and Hong Kong may pride itself now on being a "live

city." Who would have thought, fifteen years ago, of automobiles encircling the Island or who would have dreamt that motor trucks would carry supplies to households on the Peak. It is indeed a wonderful transformation. And, pleasant experience indeed for one from the North, the roads are free from dust.

A conversation of this sort is as good as a tonic. It becomes so interesting that one forgets, to grumble about the heat or the rain. It makes us forget that typhoons have just passed, are passing or are surely about to pass. A little pat on the back and a word of praise are very welcome and particularly so when in our innermost heart we know they are thoroughly well deserved. "Hong Kong," concluded our visitor, "reveals an excellence in administration that compares favourably with any of the British Overseas possessions. It is a pleasure to have had the opportunity of revisiting it after many years sojourn further East and to observe the manifest signs of progress under a benevolent government."

We take off our hat to a very intelligent and courteous traveller and hope he will carry the good word to Aberdeen to which little city he is now on his way.

CHINESE SALT LOANS.

A correspondent, writing in *The Times* on the subject of the security of the Chinese 1912 loan, quotes the following from the back of the bond:—

Should the above-mentioned revenue [the Salt revenue] be at any time insufficient to meet the payment of interest and repayments of principal on due dates the Chinese Government will then, from other sources, supply the amount required to meet such payments, and submits that this gives ground for the belief that the loan in present circumstances can become a charge on the Maritime Customs. Surplus from the Customs is, he holds, the sole available revenue to provide funds from the "other sources" referred to for the service of the 1912 loan, in the event of default through lack of revenue from the salt tax. Unfortunately, the matter is solely in the hands of the Chinese Government, and as the writer of *City Notes* in *The Times* points out, the paragraph contains merely a promise, depending for its fulfilment upon a strong and effective moral sense, at present very much absent. Such a promise is implied in the terms of all other Chinese Government guaranteed loans, and in some cases it is set out with a specific statement practically identical with that on the 1912 bond.

BRITISH TROOPS IN CHINA.

In a written reply to a Parliamentary question by Mr. Rhys Davies, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Secretary of State for War, says:—

There are approximately 2,700 Section A Reservists now serving in China who are due to return this trooping season, though some of this number may volunteer to remain in Army service in China. Apart from Section A Reservists, approximately 1,000 men will be sent back from China for discharge during the current financial year, if the troops remain in China beyond that date. As regards the reinstatement in civil employment of those who return, no special provision can be made, but I trust that employers, on whose public spirit we must necessarily rely, will do all they can to take back their former employees and to offer work to those who were not in employment when they were called up from the Reserve.

23 INCHES OF RAIN LAST MONTH.

18 WET DAYS.

Last month the total rainfall was no less than 23.37 inches, which is about three quarters of what England gets in a year. An appreciable amount of rainfall on 16 days; and the big fall of the 20th—typhoon Saturday—accounted for 7.91 inches. The little typhoon of last Monday contributed 3.10 inches and there were 2.08 inches on the 10th. The last was a drenching Friday—that held up the week-end sport.

Over an inch of rain fell on eight days and .37 of an inch fell on the 2nd. Altogether August was about as nasty a month as the Hong Kong climate can produce.

Among the passengers returning to the Colony by the s.s. *Moroca* yesterday was Miss Lewis.

One Chinese case of small-pox and two cases of enteric, one Chinese and Indian were reported on Thursday.

There is to be another meeting of the New Territory Agricultural Show Committee at Sheung Shui to-day at 2.30 p.m.

Arrivals from the West River report that the heads of the surtax bureau at Dosing and Wuchow, have been arrested and taken to Canton, but no reason is given for this action by the local authorities.

A concert is to be given in the Cathedral Hall by the Diocesan School Old Girls' Association at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28th, to raise funds for the new pavilion to be erected on the School playing field.

The Peak Sunday School is to re-open on the Sunday in September. The sum of \$38 has been sent to the Victoria Home and Orphanage towards the \$50 sent annually by the Sunday School for the support of an orphan in the Home.

A gold wrist watch, valued at \$45, was stolen on Thursday from Mrs. T. F. Felchor's residence at No. 6, Knutsford Terrace. According to a report made to the police, the watch was apparently stolen from Mrs. Felchor's bedroom.

It is stated in *St. John's Cathedral Notes* that the Social gatherings after Evensong on Sundays show an increasing attendance. There were over 180 at the last one. Another social gathering is to be held in the Cathedral Hall to-morrow evening.

Major E. J. Barkham has kindly consented to give an organ recital in the Cathedral on Friday, September 8th, at 5.30 p.m. in aid of the Organ Fund. Those who have heard the short recitals he has given before evening services on Sunday will be glad to hear a longer recital. Mrs. Bales will play the violin at the recital.

A Chinese was early yesterday morning removed to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from a bullet wound in the right thigh as the result of being shot at by Chinese detective No. 208 who found the man climbing up a ladder at the rear of No. 101, Apliu Street, Shamshuipo, at 3 a.m. yesterday apparently with intent to commit a felony.

The following appointments to Hong Kong have recently been made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—Lieut. H. H. Beddow, B.Sc., Assistant Master, Education Department; Mr. R. Elvidge, 3rd Boarding Officer, Harbour Master's Department; Lieut.-Comdr. H. Gandy, R.N., 2nd Class Land Surveyor, Public Works Department; Mr. M. I. De Ville, 2nd Class Land Surveyor, Public Works Department.

Two men and one woman were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning with trespassing on the Government Plantation at Bowen Road, Wanchai, and with cutting grass from the plantation. Mr. Lindsell said he believed that the defendants did not deliberately cut the saplings as discharged with them a caution. Two other women who were charged with being in unlawful possession of a tree trunk were also discharged with a caution, the Magistrate being satisfied that the tree was blown down by the recent typhoon.

The departure of Mr. and Mrs. Charles van Ufford, says *St. John's Cathedral Notes*, deprives the Church here of two very frequent worshippers. Mrs. Charles has been an active worker in the Peak Sunday School, and has for some time had the care of the linen and the flowers in Peak Church, besides acting as Hon. Secretary for the prayer group of intercessions for the sick. We wish them health and happiness in their new home in Java. Mrs. Riley has very kindly undertaken the work at the Peak Church, while Mrs. W. Jackson has done the same for the prayer group.

The Peak Church had a window blown out in the storm on August 29th. The Committee of the Church is ordering a Memorial Window for the East end in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bowler. The window has been designed by Messrs. William Morris & Co., of Westminster, and depicts the Ascension of Our Lord. The window is to cost £200; Mrs. Stedman has sent a donation of £50, and Mrs. P. L. Knight £10, towards the cost, and the Committee will be glad to receive further donations, either from those who knew Mr. and Mrs. Bowler or from those who desire the beautification of the Church.—*St. John's Cathedral Notes*.

Jewellery and money worth \$92 was stolen last night from the first floor No. 5 Kui Yan Lane. The theft was not discovered until yesterday morning.

A Chinese merchant, temporarily residing at the Tung Wo Boarding House, Connaught Road Central, reports the loss of jewellery from his room on Thursday, valued at \$107.

Commodore Pearson, whilst inspecting one of the gunboats in the harbour on Thursday, had a nasty fall, but fortunately, although considerably shaken was not seriously injured.

Mr. E. Ho Tung passed with distinction the examination held in the eighty-second session (March to July, 1927) of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (Division of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene).

The body of a Chinese was sent to the public mortuary on Thursday afternoon. The man suddenly collapsed in Connaught Road Central, outside house No. 92. It is believed that death was due to natural causes.

The King has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Mr. Herbert William Prichard, R.C. (Procureur and Advocate-General, Mauritius), as a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements.

At the City Hall to-night, beginning at 6.30, another concert for Service men, arranged by Mrs. Younghusband, is to be given. The organisers have arranged for cigarettes and other prizes in connection with "lucky number" tickets.

The late Mr. Archibald Alexander, H.B.M., Consular Service, China, of Faggate Wood, Sussex, and care of Gillespie and Paterson, Writers to the Signet, Melville-street, Edinburgh, left personal estate in Great Britain of the value of £7,500.

The death is announced of Sir George Francis Bonham, Bt., who was for 40 years in the Diplomatic Service, and was the only son of Sir Samuel George Bonham, first baronet and R.C.B., who was Governor of Hong Kong and Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of British Trade in China.

A boatman was fined \$10,000 with the alternative of nine months' hard labour for the possession of 500 taels of raw opium by Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning. A second charge of allowing his sampan to be used for the conveyance of the drug was dismissed when it was shown that the boat license was not issued in his name.

Probate in respect of the will of So Sui Yau, alias Lo So Shi, late of No. 73, Wyndham Street, a married woman, who died on June 20th, 1926, at the same address, has been granted to her husband So Sou Shan, of the same address, a broker. The estate left in this Colony amounts to \$3,600, and deceased bequeaths it all to her husband and second daughter.

Lord Donoughmore, who as Viscount Suralda, was private secretary to Sir Henry Blake when the latter was Governor of Hong Kong, is chairman of the Special Commission which has been appointed to visit Ceylon and report on the working of the Constitution and consider proposals for its revision. A member of the Commission is Sir Matthew Nathan, a former Governor of Hong Kong.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has nominated the Rev. Basil Colebatch Roberts, M.A. formerly Fellow and Sub-Warden of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, and later a missionary in the Malay States, to be Bishop of Singapore in succession to Dr. Ferguson-Davis. Mr. Roberts went out to his new diocese as chaplain of Selangor five years ago. Dr. Ferguson-Davis, the retiring Bishop, is the only Bishop who is a distinguished marksman and silver medalist, on several occasions he was a competitor Bialcy.

A SPARTAN MOTHER.

In asking for a more severe punishment than six strokes with the cane, the mother of a twelve-year-old Chinese boy who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday morning with the theft of a blanket from No. 454, Reclamation Street, said that her son had been misled by others and had got beyond her control.

His Worship thought that six strokes of the cane would be sufficient to go on with.

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks, issued from the Royal Observatory last night at 8 o'clock, stated:—

Pressure is relatively high over the China Sea and the Formosa Channel. The depression is moving eastwards across Korea and is indicated over Tongking.

LOCAL FORECAST.—S.W. winds, moderate, fair generally.

SHANSI STILL STAUNCHLY IN FAVOUR OF THE SOUTH.

WAR PREPARATIONS PROCEEDING IN SHANSI AND CHIHLI.

GENERAL TAN GOES TO SEE GENERAL CHIANG KAI SHEK.

NANKING'S MILITARISTS DISLIKE BRITISH WARSHIP'S RETALIATION.

GENERAL SUN'S SERIOUS SET-BACK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2nd. It is now clear that Sun Chuan Fang's well-equipped and well-organised army, which appeared "out of the blue" in the vicinity of Tsingtao at the end of June and rapidly drove back Chiang Kai Shek to the southern bank of the Yangtze, has received a serious set-back.

All reports confirm the statement that the attempts to cross the Yangtze at various points in the vicinity of Nanking and Chinkiang have been defeated with fairly heavy losses.

The Northerners have been enormously handicapped by lack of adequate transport, and the fact that they were unable to raise £100,000 sterling demanded by the Nationalist Navy as the price of their assisting in the operations.

The Southerners were enabled to deal piecemeal with those bodies of Northerners reaching the south bank, who were only equipped with rifles and machine-guns.

THE STRUGGLE ON THE YANGTZE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. While according to foreign reports the Northerners are gradually working their way across the Yangtze, the Nationalist headquarters assert that the Northerners have evacuated Pukow, owing to reinforcements from Hankow threatening to cut off General Sun Chuan Fang from his allies by cutting the Tientsin-Pukow railway at Fengpu.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Northern Success Reported.

RUGBY, Sept. 1st. Telegrams from China state that the Northerners have crossed the Yangtze by Nanking, and are in possession of the south bank from Morrison Point to Wulungshan.

They have cut the railway. A considerable force has also been concentrated opposite Chinkiang, from which town the Southerners have withdrawn most of their troops.

There has been heavy fighting at Lungtan.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Marshal Sun's Loss.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2nd. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang acknowledges the loss of 30,000 killed, wounded or taken prisoner.

All reports confirm the fact that attempts to cross the Yangtze have failed.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

South Claims Victory.

NANKING, Sept. 1st. Dr. C. C. Wu has gone on to Shanghai in a British steamer. The cholera epidemic here appears to be spreading. Regard the war situation one round fired from Tiger Hill struck the Hogue Godown and ricocheted into the river, doing little damage. The Southern troops, under General Ho Ying Chien, claim a complete victory over the Northerners at Lungtan.

[CHINESE WIRELESS.]

Chinese Warships.

CHINKIANG, Sept. 1st. Chinese warships are now much in evidence between Chinkiang and Wusong.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

North Massing Troops.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. The city continues quiet. The Northerners are still massing troops and bringing up heavy artillery in a resolute attempt to consolidate the positions they have gained on the south bank of the Yangtze. Reports are conflicting as to the degree of their success.

[HANKOW AND NANKING.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. Nationalist headquarters announce that Dr. C. C. Wu, who arrived at Shanghai to-day after a trip up the Yangtze as far as Kichang, "found an earnest desire on the part of both the civil and military members of both the Nanking and Wuhang Governments, to obliterate all differences, and the way has now been paved for the amalgamation of the two Governments."

Dr. Wu announced that a full session of the Chief Executive Council of the Kuomintang is to be held at Nanking on September 15th, when a formal amalgamation will take place.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

SEQUEL TO FIRING ON FOREIGN SHIPS.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2nd. The Military Commission of the Nanking Government has written to the Central Government (Nanking Nationalist Government) to the effect that on the 25th of last month a British cruiser fired on the Lion Hill, near Nanking, resulting in a number of soldiers being killed and the "Chung Shan" armoured car seriously damaged. They requested the Nationalist Government to instruct the Foreign Office to take up this matter with the British Consul-General.

The Hankow leaders at Kichiang has despatched Mr. Chan Kung pu, a Hankow Central Executive Committee member, to Hankow for the purpose of winding up all official offices of the Hankow Government. The Foreign Office and the Judicial Department there have ceased to function.

General Tan Yen Kai is on his way to Fungia to see Chiang Kai Shek.

Mr. George Hau Chien has arrived at Kichiang. Acting on advice that a Northern fleet would sail towards Wusong Fort on the 1st inst., the Military Commander of Wusong immediately declared martial law over the area.

The leaders of the Naval authority in Fokien province wired to Hankow and Nanking leaders, including Feng Yu Hsiang and Yen Shih Shan, urging them to resume the Expedition against the North. They said that a new Central Government under the supreme authority of the Kuomintang should be early established.

Sun Chuan Fang's troops have retreated northwards. In the last two days they did not venture across the Yangtze.

SHANSI AND CHIHLI.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2nd. Mr. Nan Kwei Chin, General Yen Shih Shan's representative in Peking, has returned to Shansi. It is reported that his negotiations with the Ansuochun Government have completely broken down. General Yen has reinforced Shansi troops at Shekkachong, at the Tsingting-Taiyuen and Kin-Han Railways, Chihli. War preparations are busily being made on both sides.

THE SZECHUAN TRAGEDY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Sept. 2nd. A message from Batang (on the borders of Tibet and Szechuan) states that the foreigners previously reported as having been murdered in Szechuan may not be, as was thought, Messrs. Filchner, Plymire, and Mathewson.

Another party, consisting of families named Duncan (Americans) and McLeod (Canadians), are known to have been robbed by bandits near the Burma border, and it is possible that they were again attacked subsequently.

SOVIET ATTEMPT TO PURCHASE U.S. RIFLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, September 1st. The Washington correspondent of the New York Times says that the negotiations with the agents of the Soviet Government, for the purchase of 150,000 military rifles from the United States, have been blocked by the refusal of the State Department to permit the arms to be shipped abroad.

The agent of the purchasers, who came to Washington with information that the contract for the sale of the arms was ready for signature, and that the rifles had been assembled in New York, was told by the State Department that they disapproved of the action.

Trade at Chongchua.

CHONGCHUA, Sept. 1st. An attempt is being made to reopen trade once more and the Trade Delegation has arrived here.

Hankow, Sept. 1st.

Troop movements down the river continue. The local currency situation is serious.

WHAT SCIENTISTS ARE DISCUSSING.

"EVOLUTION FROM A BLOB OF JELLY."

WHITE RACES' FUTURE REGIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, September 1st. Speaking at a meeting of the British Association, Dr. G. P. Bidder, in his presidential address to the zoology section on "The Ancient History of Sponges and Animals," traced man's origin to a stage more remote than that of Sir Arthur Keith's anthropoids.

Dr. Bidder said, "If we had been higher animals, averaging ten generations yearly for a thousand millions of years, then some ten thousand millions of generations may have brought us from jellyfish to men. We owe our appreciation of dancing, poetry, music, and our sense of rhythm to actions we made when we were only tiny blobs of jelly millions of years ago."

Power of Invention.

Sir J. B. Henderson, presiding over the engineering section, said that with the aid of invention there were no limits to the power of man. The history of the past century showed that he was succeeding beyond belief. His success had continued, and was bound to continue to affect the future type of man.

Turning to the Poles.

Dr. Rudmose Brown, presiding over the geography section, said that emigrants in the future would be induced to settle in Polar regions. There was no real evidence that the white races were suited to a permanent residence in the tropics. Long before they found sure footing in the tropics, the coloured races would have effectively occupied the warmer lands. Hence the whites must turn to the Poles to search for new homes.

He forecasted a scattered population, composed of reindeer and musk ox farmers, in the Arctic regions of Canada, Siberia, Greenland, and Spitzbergen, a hundred years hence.

EVE BECOMES A SCIENTIST.

MANY WOMEN MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

A notable feature of this year's meeting of the British Association, which opened at Leeds on August 31st and will continue to September 7th, is that nearly half the scientists attending will be women.

"The number of women scientists attending the Association," the secretary of the Association told a Press Association representative.

"When the Association was founded in 1831, and for some years afterwards, women were not admitted to join in the discussions. 'Now there is no sex bar, and women not only take part in the discussions, but are also equally eligible with men for office."

TRIAL OF CLERGY AND PEASANTS IN RUSSIA.

SEQUEL TO ATTACK ON SOVIET AUTHORITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, September 2nd. The court of the Chushta District of Fergana has been the scene of the trial of a number of clergy and rich peasants on a charge of actively resisting the Soviet Government by opposing the authorities' endeavours to make women remove the parandja (veil) from their faces.

Two men were convicted of murder and a militiaman sentenced to be shot. Two others received five years' imprisonment.

According to the Tass Agency Abas Maksimov, head of the Chushta clergy, convened a secret meeting of mullahs and rich peasants, who decided to appeal to poor peasants urging that a "wife taking off the parandja was illegal and that a wife and husband allowing such disgrace was an infidel."

Partisans of the clergy attempted to wreck the buildings of the local Executive Committee, while militiamen were guarding the premises.

Two mullahs were killed in the affray. Maksimov and two confederates escaped.

THE FLOODS IN POLAND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARSAW, September 1st. Over 180 people perished in the floods and over 10,000 have been rendered homeless. Heavy rainfall continues. The small town of Kutu is practically destroyed. Through the flooding of the river Czarny, Przemysl is also inundated. The damage to flooded areas is estimated at over £1,000,000. Aeroplanes have rendered assistance by directing the rescuers.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

WITHDRAWALS FROM SHANGHAI.

TROOPS FROM HONG KONG FOR NORTH.

INCREASING LOCAL GARRISON.

As indicated earlier this week, troops from the Shanghai Defence Force are being withdrawn. A gradual reduction of British troops in the Far East is to commence at once, but this will not affect immediately the strength of the British Forces in Shanghai, as the withdrawals will be replaced by detachments from Hong Kong's military forces.

Particulars of the troops to be withdrawn are given in Reuter and British Wireless messages which came to hand yesterday.

THE SHANGHAI DEFENCE FORCE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Sept. 1st. The War Office announces that the gradual reduction of British troops in the Far East will commence in about a fortnight, but any such reduction will not immediately affect the strength of the British forces in Shanghai, where the withdrawals will for the time be made good by replacement from troops now in Hong Kong.

The troops detailed for withdrawal are the First Field Brigade, Royal Artillery, the First Battalion Devonshire Regiment, and the Thirteenth Infantry Brigade, comprising the Brigade Headquarters, First Battalion Green Howards, First Battalion Border Regiment, First Battalion Middlesex Regiment, and First Battalion Cameronians.

Besides these, there will be such reductions in the staffs and ancillary services as may be rendered possible by the withdrawal of combatant units.

With the exception of the First Battalion of the Devonshire Regiment, which will embark for Malta, and the First Field Brigade, Royal Artillery, for India, all the units to be withdrawn will return to England.

According to present arrangements, the withdrawal will be completed approximately by the end of this year, and within the same period the section "A" Reservists, who were called up in January last, will be transferred to the Reserve.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Further Details.

LONDON, September 1st. The War Office announces that forthcoming troop withdrawals from Shanghai will for the time be counter-balanced by replacement with troops from Hong Kong.

The announcement adds that all sections of the "A" Reservists, who were called up in January, will be transferred to the Reserve by the end of the year, when the withdrawal is expected to be completed.

THE PRESENT POSITION.

The British Garrison in Shanghai, during the coming winter, will consist of the 2nd Coldstream Guards; 2nd Suffolk; 1st Bedford and Hertford; 2nd replacing Battalions from Hong Kong, and the 5th Armoured-Car Company and Tank Corps.

As indicated in these columns this week, troop movements from Hong Kong are taking place during this week-end.

Throughout yesterday there were very busy scenes at Kowloon, where the 2nd Battalion, the Welch Regiment, embarked on the transport *Hermes* for Shanghai. The transport is expected to sail for the Northern port to-day.

The Welch Regiment is commanded by Lt.-Col. T. G. Mathias, and has been at the Peninsula Hotel since its arrival here on the *Derbyshire*. The popular band has also given a number of concerts at the Queen's Theatre, the Kowloon Dock Bathing Beach, etc. They will be much missed. They are to relieve the 1st Devon on Tuesday, and when the Welch Regiment have disembarked the Devonshire will embark on the transport, which will then return to Hong Kong and take on further troops here.

The men who will board the *Hermes* when she returns to Hong Kong will include about 500 Class "A" Reservists of the Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) and they will go to England on the transport. The Devonshire, who made them up the strength after their arrival here from Hong Kong, are going back on the same transport on which they came out. The Battalion left Aldershot on March 24th, and arrived here early in April.

The Devonshire left Aldershot at the end of January and embarked at Southampton on the Union Castle liner, *Kildonan Castle*. They arrived in Hong Kong on February 27th, and left again on March 22nd for Shanghai.

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AMERICO-MEXICAN RELATIONS.

"STILL MARKED BY SOME DISAGREEMENT."

PRESIDENT CALLES' MESSAGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Mexico City, Sept. 2nd.

In his annual message, personally read at the opening of Congress, President Calles said that American-Mexican relations were still marked by some disagreement, principally over the land and petroleum laws; but it was hoped that such differences would be settled amicably because Mexico was willing to listen in a spirit of justice and equity to any concrete cases presented to her.

The President pointed out that despite bad business conditions and decreased revenue the Mexican Government had faithfully met their foreign debt obligations.

FRENCH EXPRESS WRECKED.

DRIVER KILLED: ALL THE PASSENGERS SAFE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tours, September 2nd.

The Paris-Bordeaux express was derailed at midnight near here, the driver being killed and the train badly wrecked.

It is feared that more victims are buried in the debris.

PARIS, September 2nd. The Paris-Orleans Company announce that none of the passengers in the train wrecked at Tours was injured.

WIRELESS EXPERIMENT.

TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE G.P.O.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, September 1st. In a week's time, an interesting wireless experiment will be undertaken by the General Post Office.

There are certain areas in different parts of the world where wireless signals, transmitted on long wave, can only be received with difficulty, if at all, while in other places such signals can only be received at certain hours of the day.

With the object of ascertaining to what extent short-wave transmission may be capable of reaching such areas, the British Official Press news will be transmitted for two months, beginning September 8th, on long and short wave simultaneously. The same call sign will be used, and the long wave will remain as at present. The short wave will be 22 metres at the noon, Greenwich mean time, transmissions, and 37 metres at 8 p.m. and midnight. Reports on reception by the stations will be noted.

With the departure of the Welch Regiment the troops left in Hong Kong will be the Kings Own Scottish Borderers (the garrison battalion) the remainder of the Cameronians, the 2nd Battalion Northamptonshire Regiment, the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, and the 1st Battalion Queen's Royal Regiment.

It is not yet definitely known which will be the second regiment to leave Hong Kong for the North, following the Welch Regiment, but it is believed it is likely to be the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, who are not likely to be sent home until the Coldstream Guards (who are now in Shanghai) go; and it is likely that both Guards Battalions will go together *via* Canada, as has been suggested.

The Guards are to leave the Peninsula Hotel (where they have been billeted since their arrival) at the same time as the Welch Regiment, and are to be split up, it is understood, and transferred to Shamshuipo Camp and the Rope Factory, unless they leave for Shanghai, as appears to be likely.

The local garrison represented by the King's Own Scottish Borderers, is to be increased by two infantry battalions, and although it has not been officially stated who these battalions will be, it is thought that, in addition to the Borderers, there will be the 1st Queen's Royal Regiment, now in barracks on the Hong Kong side of the harbour, and the 2nd Northamptonshire, who are to be transferred from the Shamshuipo Camp to other quarters.

In addition to increasing the garrison by two battalions of infantry numbering about 1,600 men, the 4th Light Brigade Royal Artillery, consisting of about 200 units, will also remain in the Colony together with ancillary units, including those of the Royal Army Service Corps, the Pay Corps, and other units to a total about one hundred.

FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO FLY THE ATLANTIC.

START FOR NEW YORK MADE FROM PARIS IN A FARMAN-GOLIATH.

BIPLANE RETURNS TO LE BOURGET.

NOTHING FURTHER HEARD OF THE "SAINT RAPHAEL."

A FRENCH ATTEMPT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, September 2nd. A Farmen-Goliath biplane, piloted by Givon and De Orbi, has started for New York.

PARIS, September 2nd. Givon and De Orbi, on the *Ocean Bleu* started at 8.30 for New York.

Well Equipped. The biplane is named the *Blue Bird*. It has 450 horse-power Lorraine-Dietrich engines and the airman wear life-saving belts fitted with special pockets that hold provisions; also a pneumatic raft and petrol tanks which hold 4,400 gallons, sufficient to fly 55-60 hours with a radius of 7,900 to 7,800 kilometres.

The tanks can be emptied while in the air, so as to act as floats if forced down to the sea.

Both aviators are experienced military pilots.

Returns To Aerodrome. The biplane *Blue Bird* has returned to Le Bourget. The pilots circled the aerodrome, emptied the petrol tanks and landed.

Le Bourget, Sept. 2nd. The *Bluebird* has landed owing to dense fog.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Canadian Machines Forced To Descend.

RUGBY, September 1st. Two more attempts to make the trans-Atlantic flight from west to east were started to-day.

Captain Tully and Lieutenant Medcalf, flying the aeroplane *Sir John Carling*, left London, Ontario, for London, England, at a quarter to six this morning, Canadian time, at a quarter to eleven, British summer-time.

Tully and Medcalf will alight at Harbour Grace, Newfoundland, to refuel, before continuing the flight. This is their second attempt. They started last Monday but were forced to turn back by bad weather.

A second attempt eastward is being made by the airman Schiller and Wood, who left Windsor, Ontario, with Windsor, England, as their goal, at a quarter past two this afternoon, British summer-time.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WINDSOR, Ontario, Sept. 1st. A Stinson monoplane, *Royal Windsor*, piloted by Messrs. Schiller and Wood, started at nine o'clock this morning on a non-stop flight from Windsor to England.

New York, September 2nd. The aeroplanes *Sir John Carling* and *Royal Windsor* were both forced to descend, the former near Washburn, Maine; the latter at St. John's, Quebec.

Fog stopped the *Sir John Carling*, while a wing of the *Royal Windsor* caught fire.

THE "PRIDE OF DETROIT." OFF AT LAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 1st. After waiting beside their machine from dawn, the airman who are flying the *Pride of Detroit* round the world, learned this afternoon that official authorisation for them to resume their flight had not

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ACROSS CANADA'S BORDER.

U.S. CHECKING THE FLOW OF LIQUOR.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2nd. Stringent measures are to be taken to check the flow of liquor from across the Canadian border. Thirty additional Prohibition agents are being sent to Detroit while the Border Patrol between Erie and Toledo is being substantially strengthened.

U.S. AND FRANCE.

TRADE PACT SOUGHT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, September 1st. Negotiations for a new most-favoured-nation-commercial-treaty with France will probably shortly be proposed to Paris.

THE "ST. RAPHAEL."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, Sept. 1st. A very close watch is being maintained along the whole Atlantic coast for Colonel Minchin's *Saint Raphael*, which is now six hours overdue.

As reported earlier, the *Saint Raphael* left on a flight from England to Canada, with Col. Minchin, Capt. Hamilton, and a lady passenger.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Over Quebec? RUGBY, September 1st.

Definite news is still awaited of the monoplane *Saint Raphael*, in which the British airman, Col. Minchin, and Capt. Hamilton, accompanied by Princess Lowenstein-Wertheim, left Upavon, in Wiltshire, yesterday, for Ottawa, Canada.

A message was received in London this afternoon stating that the aeroplane passed over Saint Malo, Quebec, at five minutes past seven this morning, Canadian time, but there is no confirmation that the machine in question was the *Saint Raphael*.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

"The Only Hope."

Ottawa, September 1st. Anxiety is felt for the fate of the *St. Raphael*, for despite the fact that all points on the Atlantic seaboard and the Gulf of St. Lawrence have been warned to keep the strictest look-out, hitherto there has been no trace of the flier.

Mariners here are of the opinion that the only hope is that the aeroplane has been rescued by some small ship in mid-ocean without wireless or by a fishing vessel on the Grand Banks.

No News.

St. John's, Newfoundland, September 2nd.

At 8.30 this morning nothing had been seen or heard of the *St. Raphael*.

A 7,000-MILE TRIP TO SOUTH AFRICA.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, September 1st. Still another aviation feat is being tried by Lieut. Bentley, who left Edgware, London, this morning, on a 7,000 mile trip to Cape Town, in a light aeroplane.

Bentley, who is an Englishman, is an instructor of the South African Air Force. His Moth machine, fitted with a 70 to 80 horsepower engine, has an average cruising speed of 80 to 85 miles an hour.

He intends to follow the route taken by Sir Alan Cobham, and with good fortune hopes to accomplish the trip in four and half days.

The most difficult part of the flight, he thinks, will be over the Sudan. From Cairo he will follow the course of the Nile to Khartoum, and thence to Livingstone, Bulawayo, Johannesburg, and Capetown.

The Moth aeroplane, which is painted silver, has been named "Dorys," after Lieut. Bentley's fiancée, who lives in Johannesburg.

arrived from Angola, so they have postponed their departure another day.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 2nd.

THE WEEK-END SPORT.

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY, AND TO-MORROW.

There is not much in the way of sport arranged for to-day. There are a few matches in the Lawn Bowls League, two in Division I. and one in Division II, but most of the Clubs have now completed their fixtures, and everything except the championship of Division II, has been settled.

The competition for the Captain's Cup is being played at Fanning to-day and until Monday, inclusive.

To-day's baseball match has been cancelled, but to-morrow, the Filipinos are down to meet the "Tigers" (S.C.A.A.).

There are to be the usual bathing picnics and as the season is now rapidly drawing to a close all enthusiasts are making the most of their opportunities.

One of the most interesting events to-day is the 4th night fete of the Victoria Recreation Club. A varied programme has been arranged, which includes two championship events, the 100 yards style, open, championship of the Colony, and the 100 yards free style, Ladies' Championship of the Colony. There will be high diving, other races, a Water Polo match, etc. As usual the Lyric Orchestra will play during the fete, and after the prize distribution for dancing.

There are several friendly football and tennis matches at Kowloon for the Services to-day.

LEAGUE BASEBALL.

TO-DAY'S GAME CANCELLED.

FILIPINOS TO PLAY TIGERS TO-MORROW.

[BY HONOLULU KID.]

Ball fans this week end will be treated to one game only. The Japanese-Portuguese struggle scheduled for this afternoon had to be cancelled, as the Recreation boys are playing football against the Military this afternoon.

To-day, there will be a one-sided game, when the Filipinos play the Tigers. The Tagalo boys after their victory over the Japanese two days ago, are going about in a very business-like manner and are not to be easily beaten.

The Tigers are no match for the Filipinos, and if the latter field the team that played against the Japanese, the Tigers should be hopelessly beaten.

TENNIS.

K.C.C. SERVICES.

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly tennis match against a Service team to-day, at 4 p.m. on the K.C.C. courts:—B. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher, W. Hyde and C. E. Millard, S. E. Green and C. W. E. Bishop.

GREYHOUND SENSATION.

RACING DOGS POISONED.

"TALL OAK" DEAD.

MANCHESTER, Sept. 1st. A sensation has been caused at the home of greyhound racing by a report that six greyhounds at the Bellevue Track were found poisoned in the kennels, these including Tall Oak, one of the most famous in the country. No official statement has been issued but the police are investigating.

Only Tall Oak is dead. The others are recovering. Detectives are patrolling the kennels.

CEYLON CRICKETERS TO VISIT MALAYA?

AN UNLIKELY EVENT.

IRON, August 25th. Private advice received here from Ceylon state that a cricket eleven comprising first-class players is being arranged to visit Malaya during the Christmas holidays if engagements are offered in Singapore, Penang and the Malay States. The tour would be a very brief one and members of the team hope to stay with friends, but will welcome assistance with regard to passages to the extent of not more than \$4,000.

Formal communications are promised later.—Singapore Free Press.

LAWN BOWLS.

THREE MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

There are only three matches to-day in the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls League. The season has now practically finished and after to-day there will remain only one or two fixtures in Division II, to be played.

Division I. will be completed to-day, the matches being between the Kowloon Dock R.C. and Tai Koo R.C. and between the Bowling Green Club and the Civil Service C.C.

The champions have not lost this season and the match against the runners-up should be close and interesting.

In Division II, the K.C.C. are playing the Yacht Club, and ought to win, as their opponents are at the bottom of the table having won only one match this season. They should win, but if they do not East Point, and Tai Koo have to be reckoned within the struggle for the Championship.

AQUATICS.

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

The fourth Night Fete organised by the Victoria Recreation Club will be held at the Club's canteen this evening commencing at 9 p.m. The programme which includes two Open Championships of the Colony is as follows:—

50 Yards Handicap for members, heats.

100 Yards Free Style, Men's Open Championship of the Colony, heats.

Pillow Fight.

100 Yards Free Style Ladies' Open Championship of the Colony.

Inter Hong Team Race.

50 Yards Handicap for members, final.

100 Yards Free Style, Men's Open Championship of the Colony, final.

Seven have entered for the 100 yards Free Style, Men's Championship of the Colony. D. Lyon, last year's winner who covered the distance in 61 seconds, is in the race, as well as G. R. Razavet who came in second last year in 64.3 seconds. The other five entered are:—J. F. Lyon, G. Youe, D. Laing, S. V. Gittens, W. Lawrence.

For the ladies event, only two entries have been received but it is probable that late entries will be accepted before the race. Miss Blunson, who won the event last year in 84 seconds, is one of the two entered and Miss Aris is the other.

Excellent sport should be witnessed to-night and dancing follows. The Lyric Orchestra will be attendance throughout, as usual.

AMERICA AND THE FAR EAST.

EDUCATING PUBLIC OPINION. A "DOLLAR LINE" CONTRIBUTION.

The American Mail Line prepared a very effective little pamphlet for distribution to the 10,000 delegates in attendance at the annual convention of the National Educational Association at Seattle on June 8th, 1927. Its object was to educate the people of the United States, particularly those on the Pacific Coast to the vast trade possibilities with the countries of Asia.

It has been said that the Atlantic Coast States are more alive to the opportunities of Oriental trade than are the people of the West, and particularly the Pacific Coast States. The Company is, therefore, engaged in a campaign of education directed to the people of the West to make them realize the value of Oriental trade.

The first thing that strikes one about the pamphlet is that it is small, well printed and easy to read at any odd moment over, say, a cup of tea. It is the kind of thing a lady can stuff into her handbag, and the picture of a young Japanese and a Shanghai garden are delightful. Also it is crisply written as the following extracts show.

Because this suggestion comes from a steamship company operating between this country and the Orient it does not mean that the objective has to do with transportation alone. The North-western States of America lie the closest to Asia. Our railway men, our bankers and financiers, our chambers of commerce, our manufacturers, our farmers and our growers of fruit, our lumbermen, our fishermen, our China Club, our Japan Society, and all our people are in closer touch with the problems of the Pacific, the future centre of world affairs, than any other dwellers upon the North American continent. We know that the future happiness of half the world's population can be well advanced through the careful cultivation of true understanding and honest sympathy in the hearts of the American children of to-day.

THE FAR EASTERN OLYMPIAD.

LATEST RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Sept. 2nd.

In the Far Eastern games China beat the Philippines at baseball 3-1. At volleyball the Philippines beat Japan 31-4 and 2-7. In the tennis open singles, Engaro (Philippines) beat Kong (China) 6-4, 6-1, and Ng See Kwong (China) beat Fuente Bella (Philippines) 6-0, 6-2.

At basketball the Philippines beat China 28-7, and at football China beat Philippines 7-0.

GOLF.

ANOTHER BIG TOURNEY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, September 1st.

At Barnet, in the 36-holes qualifying competition for the News of the World £1,040 tournament, the leaders in the southern section are headed by Ernest Whitecombe, with 71 and 68, respectively equalling and breaking the course record. Other qualifiers are:—

Braid, 71 and 72.
Wooler, of Hollingbury, 73 and 71.
Oke, of Fulwell, 74 and 70.
Charles Whitecombe, 74 and 70.
Cotton, 74 and 72.

Ray and Smith, of Wentworth, totalled 146, Duncan 148, and Vardon 150.

The most notable failures were Havers, with 151, and J. H. Taylor, with 156.

FOOTBALL.

LATEST LEAGUE RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, September 1st.

The following are results of matches in the English Football League played to-day:—

West Ham 2, Sunderland 4.
Newport 3, Brighton 1.
Queen's Park 3, Gillingham 3.

All the English League and Scottish League Clubs are playing again to-day in the League matches. Results will appear on Monday, and from next week it is hoped to publish the Saturday fixtures every Saturday morning.

FRIENDLY FOOTBALL.

As a practice for the coming season, and also with a view to giving the Services a chance of a game, a friendly football match is being played on the Club de Recreo's ground at King's Park to-day between the Club de Recreo 1st eleven and the Royal Air Force.

TRAWLING IN INDIAN OCEAN.

"TONGKOL'S" POOL HAULS.

For her last Penang trip, says the Penang Gazette the Government trawler Tongkol went north to the deep water on the edge of the Indian Ocean and tried fishing in 75 fathoms of water there, but lost her nets on volcanic dock and caught little except one fish, possibly the gurnel species, which has been sent to Singapore for identification. Not only was the sea bottom bad, but the tide runs were too strong to render fishing possible and the Tongkol fished south again, getting only two good hauls to the westward of Penang and arriving in with only a couple of tons.

On the other hand, the steam launch Shark is producing excellent result with her shallow water trawling. On Sunday afternoon and evening, the Shark, trawling backwards and forwards by buoy No. 9 in the South Channel, got ten boxes of fish, besides two enormous crabs; her catch fetched \$91 at auction in the market on Monday morning. The success of the Shark bears out the contention of the Acting Director of fisheries, that shallow water trawling with vessels of the Shark type has more possibilities financially than deep water trawling with trawlers of the Tongkol class.

The Tongkol left for Singapore and is going to try a few hauls in the shallow water in which the Shark has been fishing in the South channel before she leaves. She is expected to arrive at Singapore on September 3rd.

TO-MORROW'S BAND CONCERT.

THE PROGRAMME FOR KOWLOON DOCK.

BAND OF QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT.

The full military band and drums of the 1st Queen's Royal Regiment will give to-morrow afternoon another concert at the Kowloon Dock Bathing Beach to raise funds for a swimming gala for the Services at the end of the season. The concert starts at 5 p.m. The band are appearing by permission Lieut.-Col. R. G. Clarke, C.M.G., D.S.O., and officers, and the following is their programme:—

1.—Grand Selection, "Merrie England" (German).

2.—Waltz, "Because I love you" (Florentino).

3.—Selection, "No no Nanette" (Youmans).

4.—Trombone Solo, "The Joy-wheel" (Sutton); (Soloist) Bandman C. H. Diss.

5.—The Reminiscences of Scotland (arr. Godfrey).

6.15 Massed Band and Drums.

1.—Bugle March, "Les Clairs Anglaises."

2.—(Drums) March, "Controversy" (Turpin).

3.—Band March, "The Indian Love Call" and "Rose Marie" (Friml).

4.—Drums, "Retreat."

5.—Band and Drums March, "Who" from "Sunday" (Gershwin).

6.—Band and Drums Slow March "The Colours," Quick March, "Imperial Britain."

7.—Band and Drums, The Wee MacGregor Petrol (Amers).

Regimental Marches.

God Bless the Prince of Wales.

God Save the King.

Conductor—Band Sergeant E. Manley.

K.C.C. CONCERT TO-NIGHT.

AN EXCELLENT PROGRAMME.

A concert will be given at the Kowloon Cricket Club grounds to-night by the band of the 1st Cameronians, under the baton of Mr. H. E. Powell, L.B.A.M., and by permission of Lieut.-Col. E. B. Ferrers, D.S.O., and Officers. The band will be assisted by Messrs. Wilmoth, Hinton, Beaver, Hawkins, Porter and Hughes, in vocal items.

The object is to raise money for the entertainment, at another concert next Saturday night, at the K.C.C., of over 1,000 Service men. The programme will be opened by the Band with the "William Tell" overture, which will be followed by the Miserere music from Verdi's "Il Trovatore," the players being Corporal R. Bain (clarinet) and Bandman G. Phillips (cornet).

Then Mr. Hinton gives a comic song "The Mountaineer," which will be followed by the band selection from "Cavalleria Rusticana." Next a song by Mr. Wilmoth "The Bandleader," followed by a descriptive band piece "A Hunting Scene." After the interval there is the "Maid of the Mountains" selection by the band. Mr. Beaver will contribute the comic song "Deathless Army," and Mr. Wilmoth "The Floral Dance," while Mr. Hawkins will provide another comic interlude with "I Might Learn to love him later on." An Hungarian dance concludes the second part of the programme. In the third part of the entertainment, there is a potpourri band piece "Melodious Memories," and then a dramatic interlude by Messrs. Porter and Hughes, followed by a comic song "Bunga Bunga," by Mr. Beaver. The programme will be concluded with a grand fantasia "Battle of Waterloo," followed by the Cameronian Rant and the National Anthem.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Place	Rate
Paris	124
Geneva	25.21
Berlin	20.43
Oso	18.58
Helsingfors	190
Athens	389
Buenos Aires	47.59/32
Hong Kong	1/11
New York	4.66 1/16
Amsterdam	12.13
Stockholm	13.11
Vienna	34.48
Madrid	23.71
Bucharest	78
Bombay	1/5
Yokohama	1/11 5/16
Brussels	34.91
Milan	89.30
Copenhagen	18.16
Prague	104
Lisbon	2.11/32
Rio	5
Shanghai	2/5
Silver (spot)	25
Silver (forward)	25

CHINESE HOTEL PROPRIETOR FINED.

PREMISES USED FOR IMMORAL PURPOSES.

MAGISTRATES SATISFIED OF MANAGER'S KNOWLEDGE.

Li Yin Ming, proprietor of the Tai Lo Tin, Des Voeux Road Central, was summoned yesterday at the Central Police Court before Mr. R. E. Lindell for allowing the premises to be used for an immoral purpose.

Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, agreed that the facts, which were admitted were similar to those which transpired when the Meichow Hotel was before the court on a similar charge. But he denied that the management, any benefit of that in a large establishment like theirs, it was possible for the management to know of what was, after all, a private arrangement amongst the *fokis* for procuring these women.

His Worship said he would hear evidence on the question of a practice which, if it amounted to a system as alleged by the prosecution, should have been known to the management.

A young girl of 16 departed that she was called to the Tai Lo Tin by one of the Hotel's *fokis* and introduced to a man who the Court now knew to be a representative of Inspector Shaftain, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Some of the money went to her mistress, while the balance went to the *fokis* of the hotel. The money for the *fokis* was collected at her lodgings at Wing-hing Street.

His Worship held that the management must know of what was going on, owing the repeated visits of the girl in the case of the system alleged. The man who took the room went there without any luggage.

Asked if he had any statements to make on the case, Inspector Shaftain said he would like again to bring up the suggestion of an official "trap," made by Mr. L. D. Turner in the other case. Many similar summonses had been previously brought against native hotel-keepers only to be thrown out of Court on the ground that the licensee did not know of what had happened. The Department's officials had been anything but inactive in the matter, and had made frequent visits which were fruitful of information. Finally, the Department had to have recourse to sending its own men to obtain direct evidence of the offence. The system was one which had been going on for a very long time, and the Department was doing its best to combat it.

Mr. Lo asked his Worship to exclude Inspector Shaftain's statements as irrelevant to the case with which they were concerned.

His Worship said that he was satisfied that there was a system. The maximum penalty was \$1,000, or six months. Defendant in the case would be fined \$250.

SENTENCE ON A DOCTOR.

"LAW NO RESPECTER OF PERSONS."

Remarking that the law was no respecter of persons, Mr. Hay Baker, the Marylebone magistrate, sentenced Maurice Chitway, 32, a doctor of medicine, of Burmese nationality, residing at Gloucester-road, N.W., to twenty days' imprisonment in the second division on a charge of being drunk in charge of a motor-car, and fined him £1, with five guineas costs, for dangerous driving.

It was alleged by Mr. McClure, for the prosecution, that the accused, going along Albany-street, pulled out from behind a bus, and tried to get his car between the bus and an oncoming car. He hit the car, crumpling the wing and buckling the wheel. Although his steering gear was defective, he started the engine, and, after driving backwards and forwards, he drove to the roadside and mounted the pavement. Two policemen considered he was drunk, and their opinion was confirmed by Dr. Maughan, the divisional surgeon.

The magistrate said he realised that the punishment of imprisonment was a severe one, but he would not be doing his duty if he took any other course.

The accused said he did not mean to drive a car any more. Mr. Plummer, counsel defending, gave notice of appeal.

NAVAL CONFERENCE PERSONALITIES.

ADMIRAL VISCOUNT

MAKOTO SAITO

(CHIEF OF THE JAPANESE NAVAL DELEGATION.)

[BY DREW PEARSON.]

When Admiral Viscount Makoto Saito finally consented to head the Japanese Naval Delegation at Geneva, it is said that Premier Wakatsuki went around for days with a broad smile on his face.

Japan had been looking for a man to send to Geneva, who knew all the details of naval technique, but whose horizon at the same time was not limited to details. Also she wanted a representative who had such prestige among the Japanese people that he could return and "sell" them any naval programme which was adopted. Viscount Saito combined all these qualities. After spending an ordinary man's life in the navy, he had undertaken the most difficult administrative job in the Japanese Empire—the Governorship of Korea.

At Geneva, which is bored and fed-up with seeing the foreign ministers and great statesmen of Europe, Viscount Saito had made a distinct dent. He has acquired the reputation of being the state-est statesman at the Naval Conference. He has acquired that reputation chiefly by saying very little, but saying it at exactly the right time.

Throughout two weeks of negotiating, Admiral Saito listened to the American and British naval proposals. He listened attentively and said nothing. Then at the height of the Anglo-American deadlock, Saito gave a tea-party. His guests, consisting of the British and American delegates, found themselves partaking of more words than nourishment. Saito, did all the talking. Without mincing words he stated that Japan did not wish to build a large navy, that she had come to this Conference to reduce, not to build, and that while she had no objection to the United States' and Great Britain signing an agreement for a large building programme, Japan would go home before joining them. The tea, for which all the delegates had come expectantly, was so long postponed by Saito's calm decisive statement, that Viscount Cecil who has his tea, religiously at five o'clock, became very fidgety.

But Viscount Saito has not confined himself to proclamations. When on the opening day of the Conference, Ambassador Gibson suggested more ventilation, Saito remarked: "Yes, Japan believes in the Open Window."

Saito has one distinct advantage over both Ambassador Gibson and First Lord Bridgeman; he looks like a statesman. His snowy white hair, and white moustache, setting off an inscrutable but fascinating Oriental face, would make him stand out in any crowd. His eyes are his most distinguished characteristic. They squint out through a myriad of crows feet in a kindly sort of way which immediately creates confidence.

Saito must have had all the qualities which his appearance indicates, coupled with all the others of a great executive, to have made the record that he has in Korea. When he went there eight years ago, there was no place in the world where his fellow countrymen were more despised, probably with some justice. When he entered Seoul, the capital, for the first time, his welcome was a bomb which broke the glass in his carriage, but failed to explode. Saito rode calmly on as if nothing had happened. Baroness Saito, besides him, took the cue from her husband, and leaned out to smile at the crowds.

During his eight years as governor, Saito has revolutionized Japanese rule in Korea. And while it cannot be said that his countrymen are now popular in the ex-empire, yet he himself has won a considerable circle of friends among Koreans.

Although Saito has thrown all government positions open to Koreans with salaries equal to the Japanese, and although he has increased the powers of Korean judges, created provincial, and municipal governments, and actually held elections for the first time in Korean history, yet the act which won him most favour among Koreans was the revision of the cemeteries act. Prior to the Japanese conquest, Koreans had not buried their dead. Instead, they consulted their priest, and hung the

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SHANGHAI MOTORISTS MOLESTED.

TEN DOLLARS EXTORTED.

KEEP OFF OUTLYING ROADS.

SHANGHAI, August 30th.

Two further cases in which foreign motorists were molested on the roads of the Western district, or better on the Municipal roads running through Chinese territory, occurred within 15 minutes of each other, late Saturday night. In one instance the robbers got a \$10 bill while in the other the chauffeur accelerated and succeeded in evading the gang. In the latter instance a shot was fired at the fleeing motor car, but it was not struck. Foreign women were present in both the cars.

The first holdup occurred at 11.30 p.m. when a car driven by a Mr. Atkins, living at 14 Pacific Gardens, came upon a Public Works Department barrier on which was a red light stretched across Hung-jao Road about 300 yards west of the railway crossing. The car was proceeding from west to east.

Before the driver could realize what was happening a gang of eight men, one of them armed with a black pistol and three with knives, had surrounded the car. The leader of the gang spoke to the occupants in English and told them to remain quiet, at the same time demanding money from the driver. The latter produced a \$10 bill and was allowed to pass without the other occupants being disturbed.

Bartier Across Road.

The second instance occurred at 12.45 p.m., when the car in which Mr. P. H. Baker, living at 18 Wei-haiwei Road, and two lady friends were riding was held up at the same place by an identical gang. As they approached the barrier the chauffeur saw the gang and scenting the situation applied the accelerator, barely missing the barrier, but evading the gang.

The occupants reported the matter to the police station and from their description there is little doubt that this was the same gang which held up Mr. Atkins's motor car.

A Nervous Gang.

The occupants of the cars described the gang as belonging to the coolie class while those of the first car added that they seemed nervous and were seemingly not of the usual armed robber class.

The police, through the medium of the press, are unofficially warning all persons that they should, as far as possible, keep off the outlying districts during the night. In the meantime they are making all possible efforts to break up the gangs.—N.C. Daily News.

bodies in whatever place designated by him, in order to keep away evil spirits and disease. The Japanese prohibited this practice, requiring all dead to be either cremated or buried in established cemeteries. This law had been in effect seven years when Saito took up office, and it was extremely unpopular. Practically the first thing Saito did after assuming the office, was to permit dead to be buried in private cemeteries or in private fields near the homes of their relatives.

Saito also made it a policy to see every Korean who asks for an interview with him. No matter how "rebellious" against Japanese rule, the caller is invited into Viscount Saito's drawing room, and given an attentive hearing.

Admiral Saito is 69 and by far the oldest delegate at the Naval Conference. Before retiring at the age of 53, he had been Minister of the Navy on five occasions, and had done a very remarkable thing in the Japanese Navy. He became a great naval leader without belonging to the Satsuma Clan. In Japan almost every successful military leader is a member of the Satsuma Clan, while every naval man is a member of Satsuma.

Admiral Saito, however, was a member of neither. Born in a northern village, he became a naval cadet at the age of 15, and when he had attained the rank of captain, a remarkable tribute was paid his ability by an appointment as Vice-Minister of the Navy. At that time, all the subordinate positions under him were filled by rear-admirals.

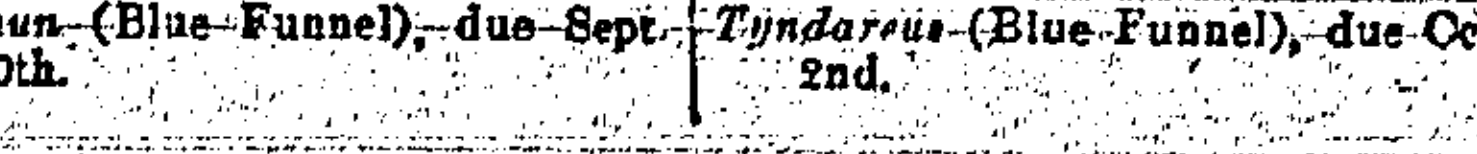
Upon reaching the age of 53, Admiral Saito retired from the Navy, having decided to spend the rest of his life quietly in the country. But like most other men who have led energetic lives, he chafed at inactivity and the late Premier Hara had no great difficulty in persuading him to become Governor-General of Korea, the position which he still holds and will return to after the Naval Conference.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.
RICE AND COAL CARGOES.JAPANESE HEAVIEST
CONTRIBUTOR.

The returns during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that the principal cargoes for the Colony and for ports beyond were rice and coal. These were mostly carried by Japanese vessels. There was a solitary British arrival, but in ballast.

The Colony's imports amounted to 18,377 tons. Of these, 5,338 tons were coal and 5,619 tons rice. The two best returns were shown by the Japanese ships *Sanjin Maru* and *Togo Maru No. 1*. The former, from Keelung contributed 3,270 tons coal and the latter from Tsingtao, accounted another 3,012 tons of the same commodity.

Through freights totalled 10,343 tons, of which, 6,243 tons were coal. The Norwegian steamer *Tonger* was the heaviest contributor, she carried no less than 4,000 tons of coal. The *Bandoeng Maru*, from Karatsu was responsible for 2,343 tons.

Arrivals and Departures.

There were 15 arrivals and 22 departures during the period under review. The nationalities were:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	1	5
French	2	2
Dutch	1	2
Norwegian	4	4
Japanese	4	4
Chinese	3	3
German	0	4
Total	15	22

Vessels in Port.

There were 70 vessels in the harbour during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. They were 27 British, 1 American, 2 Norwegian, 1 Panama, 1 Dutch, 8 Chinese, 13 Japanese, 6 Danish, 4 Portuguese and 1 French.

The Carriers.

The following vessels were the cargo carriers:

S.S. <i>Companien</i> (French) from Saigon, 2,969 tons rice for Hong Kong.
S.S. <i>Raymond</i> (French) from Peking, 180 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,000 tons for other ports.
S.S. <i>Tonger</i> (Norwegian) from Chinwangtao, 600 tons coal for Hong Kong and 4,000 tons for other ports.
S.S. <i>Soliken</i> (Norwegian) from Saigon, 2,650 tons rice for Hong Kong.
S.S. <i>Eiger</i> (Norwegian) from Peking, 1,800 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,800 tons for other ports.
S.S. <i>Togo Maru No. 1</i> (Japanese) from Tsingtao, 3,012 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. <i>Sanjin Maru</i> (Japanese) from Keelung, 3,270 tons coal for Hong Kong.
S.S. <i>Ceylon Maru</i> (Japanese) from Singapore, 150 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,000 tons for other ports.

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THE "PETREL'S" STORMY
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[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Attempted Suicide.

An old Chinese woman who jumped into the Yaumati typhoon shelter in an attempt to commit suicide was rescued by the crew of a cinder boat which happened to be in the shelter at the time. The woman is now at the Government Civil Hospital.

Theft of Coal.

The mistress of a cargo junk was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday morning, with the theft of 1,743 pounds of coal belonging to the Cheong Hing firm of contractors of No. 14, Pedder Street. The defendant was alternatively charged with receiving stolen property. The case was adjourned for one week, bail being fixed at \$100.

C.N.C. Dispute.

There have as yet been no developments with regard to the C.N.C. dispute. Negotiations appear to be still proceeding at Shanghai.

Death on "Selstan."

On the arrival of the s.s. *Selstan* (British) from Singapore and Hong Kong yesterday, the master reported to the Harbour Office that during the voyage one out of a total of 670 Chinese deck passengers, died from chronic malaria. The victim was a man.

The S.S. "Tjikarang."

Dangerous goods manifested in the return of the s.s. *Tjikarang* (Dutch) from Sourabaya yesterday were 700 drums of arrack. The vessel also brought 500 deck passengers to this port.

Singapore Dock.

The British Admiralty has built a dock in the Tyne River destined for Singapore, quotes a Dutch paper, which goes on to say:—

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Asiatic Deck Passengers.

There were 925 Asiatic deck passengers entering the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships in port yesterday were: North Wall Basin, *Robing*, South Wall Basin, *Tarantula*, S.M. *L. 15* and *L. 19*; North Arm, *Vindictive*; West Wall Dock, *Warrior*, in Dock, *Seraph*, *Serapis* and *Somme*; Tai-koo Dock, *Tern* and *Peterel*; Kowloon Dock, *Magdalen*; No. 2 Buoy, *Belgo*, No. 6 Buoy, *Hermes*; No. 10 Buoy, *Ocala*; No. 11 Buoy, *Fozglove*; No. 12 Buoy, *Republica* (Portuguese); No. 13 Buoy, *Sirdan*. Foreign Men of War:—Portuguese, *Republica*; French, *Crocodile*; U.S.S. *Pampanga*.

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"DEVANHA"	8,155	17th Sept.	Marseilles, L'An, Antwerp & Hull.
"KHYBER"	9,114	1st Oct.	Marseilles, L'An, Antwerp & Hull.
"MALWA"	7,023	12th Oct.	Straits, Colombo and Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	10,886	15th Oct.	Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	8,985	29th Oct.	Marseilles, L'An, Antwerp & Hull.
"MONGOLIA"	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	10,504	30th Nov.	do.
"KASHGAR"	10,946	10th Dec.	do.
"MOREA"	9,005	24th Dec.	do.
"DEVANHA"	10,953	7th Jan, 1928	do.
"MALWA"	8,155	21st Jan.	do.
"KHYBER"	10,886	4th Feb.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	9,114	18th Feb.	do.
"KASHMIR"	11,120	3rd Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,138	10th Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	17th Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,946	31st Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,138	7th April	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,504	14th April	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,953	28th April	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th May	do.

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"KHYBER"	9,114	3rd Sept, 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	6th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"TALAWA"	10,000	6th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	12th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,886	15th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	7,023	22nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"AFRICA"	8,000	4th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	15th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	10,504	29th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,956	8th Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,886	12th Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	30th Nov.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	6th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,953	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	24th Dec.	do.
"MALWA"	10,886	7th Jan, 1928	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	21st Jan.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th Feb.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	18th Feb.	do.
"KASHMIR"	10,504	25th Feb.	do.
"MONGOLIA"	10,946	17th Mar.	do.
"MOREA"	10,953	30th Mar.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	13th April	do.
"MALWA"	10,886	27th April	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	11th May	do.

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